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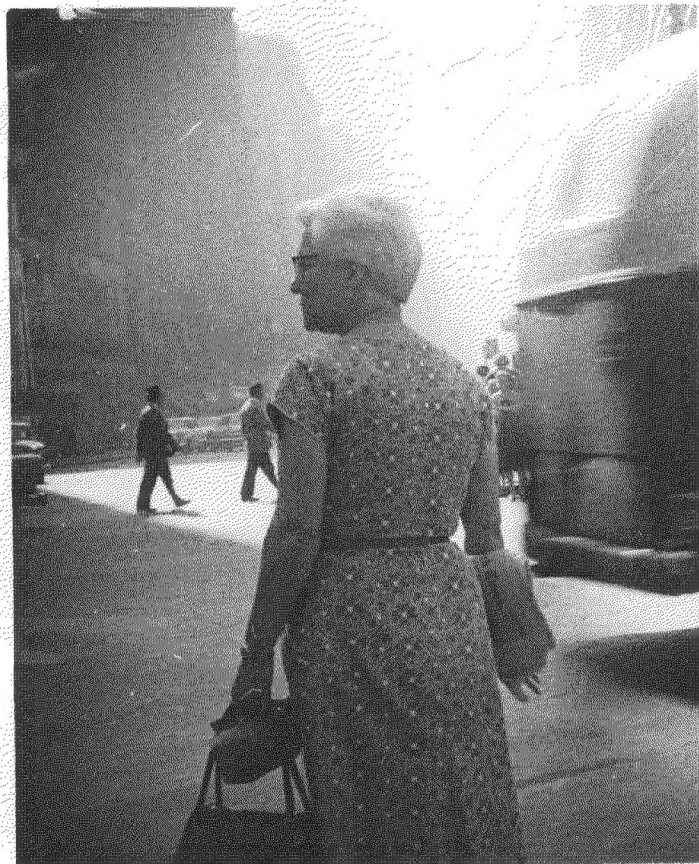
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TO: SAC, New York

FROM: ARBOR W. GRAY, SA (100-99345)

SUBJECT: MARL BERNIKOW LAUTNER
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The subject is the divorced wife of JOHN LAUTNER, former Chairman of the NY State CP Review Commission who was expelled from the CP in January, 1950, because, as the "Daily Worker" for January 17, 1950, expressed it, he was a traitor to the CP.

LAUTNER has indicated since his expulsion that if the subject were to renounce Communism and to demonstrate to him that she has truly given up her CP connections, he would attempt to effect a reconciliation with her. Although LAUTNER has furnished some information about the subject in the course of interviews and in testimony as a Government witness, he has always shown a reluctance to discuss his family affairs any more than was necessary.

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1 - [REDACTED]
1 - NY 100-8033 (CP, USA, EDUCATION)
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1 - NY 100-113313 (TIMA LUDINS)
1 - NY 100-105752 (DAVID M. WHITE)
1 - NY 100- (ABBOTT WOLFSON)
1 - NY 100-23163 (MAE MILLER)
1 - NY 100- (MOE MILLER)
1 - NY 100-5011 (ESTHER POSNER)
1 - NY 100- (MARTHA KANN)
1 - NY 100- (MONA FINKESTEIN)
1 - NY 100-13204 (ALBERTO MOREAU)
1 - NY 100-21785 (SAM (BROWN) BRONSTEIN)
1 - NY 100- (RAE (BROWN) BRONSTEIN)
1 - NY 100-21421 (ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG)

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Consequently, the information set out hereafter is based on that obtained by the writer in an informal discussion with LAUTNER on 1/15/54, and if it is set out in report form, it should be paraphrased suitably and attributed to a temporary informant symbol.

LAUTNER furnished the following information:

The subject was born in Brooklyn, is now forty-one years old, and was married to JOHN LAUTNER on 9/5/41, at Jersey City, New Jersey. She has a daughter, JOAN, who was born in September, 1945. She secured a decree of divorce from JOHN LAUTNER at Reno, Nevada, in August, 1950.

Education

Attended high school in East New York, name of school not recalled; attended Brooklyn College and received Bachelor of Arts degree; received Master of Arts degree in English Literature from Brooklyn College in about 1936.

Employment

1936-1937 Clerical work for US Government at Washington, D.C., position and department of Government unknown.

1937 or 1938 School teacher in New York City Public School System. to about 1952

The subject taught on two separate occasions at the high school located on 4th Street west of Broadway and also taught at the Far Rockaway High School and the Textile High School, which is located on West 20th Street, New York, New York.

LAUTNER said he had heard that the subject had resigned her position with the school system, and he did not know where the subject was employed at this time.

Communist Party Activities

LAUTNER was introduced to the subject in 1940 when he was District Organizer in West Virginia and the subject was sent there from NYC with

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TILIA LUDINS as a CP teacher. LAUTNER dated the subject during her brief stay in West Virginia, and then after a new CP assignment brought him back to NYC in 1941, he married her. LAUTNER recalled that the best man at the marriage ceremony was ABBOTT WOLFSON, an engineer for the City of New York who had been a Captain in the US Army Engineers during World War II.

LAUTNER learned from the subject that during her attendance at Brooklyn College she had been influenced toward the CP by DAVID McELVEY WHITE.

LAUTNER advised that the subject was a close associate of MAE MILLER, Assistant Organizational Secretary, NY State CP, and her husband, MOE MILLER; ESTHER POSNER, Medical Secretary, IWO; MARTHA KAHN, Teacher for the NY State CP School Commission; MONA FINKELSTEIN, a CP member; ALBERTO MOREAU of the NY State CP Education Commission; BELLA DODD, former member of the National Committee, CP, USA; and SAM BROWN and his wife, RAE.

According to LAUTNER, the subject's CP activities after her marriage to him were limited to her association with CP people and participation in the ALP in the Chelsea Section. He had no information about her current activities but said that he had learned from the NYC Board of Education that approximately a year ago the Board had requested the subject to be present at a preliminary hearing for questioning about her CP activities and that rather than appear for questioning, the subject submitted her resignation from the school system.

LAUTNER advised that after the fact of his expulsion from the CP was made known to the subject in January, 1950, she went to see ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG, who was the Chairman of the National Review Commission, CP, USA, to plead in LAUTNER's behalf. According to LAUTNER, when the subject returned from her meeting with TRACHTENBERG, she told him that TRACHTENBERG and MAE MILLER had informed her that they had "conclusive evidence that LAUTNER was a traitor to the CP" and TRACHTENBERG warned her that if she stayed with LAUTNER, she, too, would be expelled from the CP. LAUTNER said that apparently the subject

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was convinced of his guilt, and despite his protestations of innocence, she berated him for bring disgrace upon her and their child.

At the subject's insistence, LAUTNER wrote a letter to TRACHTENBERG and the National Review Commission denying the charges which had been made against him and requesting a fair hearing, but his letter was never answered.

Finally, the subject told him that she could no longer live with him because of the disgrace he had brought upon her and their child through his alleged misconduct in the CP, and LAUTNER moved to his brother's home. LAUTNER said that although the subject had told him that the CP had instructed her not to see him thereafter under threat of expulsion, the subject had met him twice in the Times Square area. She told him that she believed that the charges against him ~~were~~ be true and at the second and last meeting with him told him that the CP was arranging for her to go to Reno, Nevada, to obtain a divorce. LAUTNER said that the divorce was obtained in August, 1950.

It is noted that copies of the divorce papers are filed as exhibits in NY File 134-66 (P & C).

LAUTNER furnished the following physical description of the subject:

Name	MARY BERNIKOW LAUTNER
Sex	Female
Race	White
Age	41
Place of Birth	Brooklyn, New York
Residence	Last known, 1950 212 West 22nd Street New York, New York
Height	5'1"
Weight	105 lbs.
Build	Small
Hair	Red
Eyes	Blue

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LAUTNER made available a photograph of the subject and himself taken in 1945 while he was in the United States Army. A negative and print of this photograph are being made an exhibit in the principal file.

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WASHINGTON FIELD

MARTHA KAHN; SM - C. JOHN LAUTNER, FORMER CHAIRMAN, NEW YORK STATE CP REVIEW COMMISSION, EXPELLED FROM CP IN 1950 AND PRESENTLY COOPERATING WITH BUREAU ADVISED IN FEBRUARY, 1954 THAT HIS DIVORCED WIFE, MARY BERNIKOW LAUTNER, WAS A CLOSE ASSOCIATE OF THE SUBJECT. WFO IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT JOHN LAUTNER THROUGH DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY THOMAS K. HALL AND OBTAIN COMPLETE BACKGROUND INFORMATION INCLUDING DESCRIPTION OF MARTHA KAHN. WFO WILL ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE ALL ALIASES, RESIDENCES, EMPLOYMENTS, SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES AND PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF SUBJECT. IF LAUTNER IS NO LONGER IN WASHINGTON AREA WFO WILL FORWARD THIS REQUEST TO APPROPRIATE FIELD DIVISION TO BE HANDLED.

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2 - WASHINGTON FIELD (REGISTERED REGULAR MAIL)
1 - NY 134-66 (P&C)

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Age	About 42
Height	5' 1" or 5' 2"
Weight	110 to 115
Build	Medium
Hair	Completely gray
Characteristics	Round, youthful face

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NY

DATE: 5/27/53

FROM : WILLIAM F. ROEMER, Jr., SA

SUBJECT:

Rebulet dated 4/16/53, entitled "CP, USA, District #2, New York Division, IS-C". This letter instructed the NY

1-NY 100-51090 (DOROTHY K. FUNN)
 1-NY 100-94031 (COMINFIL EDUCATION)
 1-NY 100- (MORRIS SALZ)
 1-NY 100-65526 (JEANNETTE FINKLESTEIN)
 1-NY 100-65532 (RUTH FINKLESTEIN)
 1-NY 100- (ANN NECHEMIAS)
 1-NY 100-109048 (JULIUS LEMANSKY)
 1-NY 100-109162 (MILDRED FLACKS)
 1-NY 100-114039 (ROBERT COHEN)
 1-NY 100- (SARAH GILMAN ROSENBLATT)
 1-NY 100- (STALLEY (SAM) CHAPMAN)
 1-NY 100-77346 (HYMAN KOPPELMAN)
 1-NY 100- (BEATRICE GOLDBERG PELHAM)
 1-NY 100- (EDNA ROSENBERG COLEMAN)
 1-NY 100- (MARCELLA ANNET)
 1-NY 100- (MAX YERGAN)
 1-NY 100- (EDWARD STRONG)
 1-NY 100- (THELMA DALE)
 1-NY 100- (FERDINAND C. SMITH)
 1-NY 100- (WM. CATTLE TAYLOR)
 1-NY 100-84329 (ARTHUR NEWMAN)
 1-NY 100-54457? (MARTHA LEPOWSKY KAHN)
 1-NY 100- (CHARLOTTE WACKER)
 1-NY 100-108599 (MILDRED GROSSMAN)
 1-NY 100- (SYLVIA ELFENBIEN)
 1-NY 100- (CLARA RIEBER BRAHDY)
 1-NY 100-113968 (FLORENCE JACOBS)
 1-NY 100- (ROSE OLSON)
 1-NY 100-113968 (JULIUS JACOBS, was. Jack Johnson)
 1-NY 100- (ROBERT CAMPBELL)
 1-NY 100- (ALBERT MOREAV)
 1-NY 100- (A. LANDY)
 1-NY 100- (JACOB MINDEL)
 1-NY 100- (GEORGE HERVITT) (TIM HOLMES)
 1-NY 100- (LAZER)
 1-NY 100-114037 (DAVID FLOCHS)
 1-NY 100- (MAURICE RIEDMAN)
 1-NY 100- (CLARA GLAUBIGER)
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Office to review the files of this office concerning the people identified during the current hearings of the HCUA as being active in the Communist Party. In the event the person so identified has not been the subject of an investigation by this office, rebulet instructs that investigation should be initiated where warranted. Where an investigation has been conducted but a Security Index Card has not been recommended, each case should be reviewed to ascertain whether a Security Index Card is warranted. In the event such action is not considered appropriate, rebulet instructs that recommendations for interviews in accordance with current Bureau policy be submitted. Where a person identified has departed from the NY Office, the appropriate office now covering the residence of the subject should be advised of the nature of the testimony and of the Bureau's instructions.

On 4/30/53 EARL L. FUOSS, HCUA Investigator, furnished this office with a copy of an interview he had with Mrs. DOROTHY K. FUNN, a NYC school teacher who resides at 1352 Union St., Brooklyn, NY.

The name of the above captioned subject appears in the testimony of Mrs. FUNN as being a person she knew to be a member of the CP sometime during the period 1939 through 1946.

The testimony of Mrs. FUNN is contained in the 1A section of her file, 100-51090. This testimony should be reviewed concerning the subject of this memo and the instructions contained in rebulet should be complied with.

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Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT NEW YORK

REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE AUG 30 1954	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5/3,5,6,10;6/15, 17,18;8/12,16- 20,23/54	REPORT MADE BY HAROLD R. CLAUS jed
TITLE MARTHA KAHN, was: Martha Lepowsky, Mrs. Isidore Kahn			CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER-C

~~SUMMARY REPORT~~

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Subject born 1/29/02, Brooklyn, New York, resides 250 West 24th Street, New York, New York. Background information set forth. Informants of known reliability, advised the following: subject a "hard core" CP member 1946-1949; has been teacher for the New York State CP School Commission; teacher in Painters Branch CP, 1946-1947; teacher at School of Marxist Study, JSSS between 1946 and 1949; one MARTHA LEPOWSKY associated with or sympathetic to CP in 1942; member IWO 1946, 1950-1952; signed letters of protest concerning MORRIS U. SCHAPPES 1943, DALE ZYSMAN 1942, Feinberg-Heck Bill 1949; reported to be member of Executive Committee of Teachers Union, NYC, 1942. Testimony before HCUA reflects subject member of CP and studied at New York State CP School, 1939. Signed ALP Nominating Petition 1951. Registered ALP 1948-1953. Associate of RHEA SEILER and MARY LAUTNER. Informant of unknown reliability advised subject considered "risk" by NYC Board of Education. Description set forth.

DETAILS: All informants characterized by a T symbol in this report are of known reliability, unless otherwise

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R.S. to Bureau 11-8-54 asking them to make this report the summary report. JRC

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mentioned.

This investigation was predicated on information furnished by T-1, as set out in this report.

I BACKGROUND

Birth

The records of the Board of Education, New York, New York, were made available by Mr. HOWARD J. HUMAN, Records Office, Board of Education, 110 Livingston Street, New York, New York, to SA WILLIAM J. DANIELSON on June 17, 1954. These records reflected that MARTHA LEPOWSKY was born on January 29, 1902, at Brooklyn, New York.

Education

The records of the Board of Education, New York, New York, reflect that the subject attended the Maxwell Training School for teachers, Brooklyn, New York, from 1919 until 1921. These records reflected further that the subject attended Hunter College, Evening Division, from 1928 until 1931. She was granted a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education at Hunter College in 1934.

Marital Status

The records of the Board of Education, New York, New York, reflect that the subject was married on November 26, 1947, at New York, New York, to ISIDORE KAHN, who was born on December 31, 1903 in Poland-Russia.

Criminal

The records of the Bureau of Criminal Identification, New York City Police Department, as reviewed by SA AUGUST J. MICEK on May 10, 1954, did not reflect a record of the subject.

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Employment

The records of the Board of Education, New York, New York, reflected that the subject became a substitute teacher in the New York School System in October, 1921, and in February, 1922, she was appointed as a regular teacher. According to these records, the subject was continuously employed as a teacher in the New York School System until she retired on May 1, 1951.

T-2, of unknown reliability, but who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning the subject, has advised that the subject has been considered a "risk" by the New York City Board of Education. The informant advised that in the event the subject applies for re-instatement with the Board of Education, it would be necessary to conduct an investigation concerning the subject before she could be re-employed.

Residence

T-15, of unknown reliability but who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning the subject, advised in August, 1954, that the subject was residing at that time at 250 West 24th Street, New York, New York.

The records of the Board of Education, New York, New York, reflected that the subject has previously resided at the following addresses:

255 Hart Street, Brooklyn, New York, in 1919;

943 St. Marks Place, Brooklyn, New York, in 1925;

1081 Park Place, Brooklyn, New York, in 1930.

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II AFFILIATION WITH THE COMMUNIST MOVEMENT

Membership in the CP.

T-1 has advised that the subject was a member of the Communist Party from 1946 through 1949. The informant described the subject as a "hard core" Communist Party member.

A report entitled "Hearing Before the Committee on Un-American Activities, House of Representatives, 83d Congress, First Session, Investigation of Communist Activities in the New York City area" reflects on pages 1195 to 1229, the testimony of Mrs. DOROTHY K. FUNN, a self-admitted former member of the Communist Party, which testimony was given in May, 1953. This testimony reflects that Mrs. FUNN knew MARTHA LEPOWSKY, who later married and became Mrs. KAHN as a student at a New York State Communist Party School in July, 1939. This school was held at Bergman's Farm, near Kingston, New York.

According to Mrs. FUNN'S testimony, MARTHA LEPOWSKY was a New York City teacher and as of July, 1939, had probably been a Communist Party member for at least a year, inasmuch as Mrs. FUNN said one of the requirements to attend the school was at least a years membership in the Communist Party.

The records of T-4, the New York office of another Government agency, which conducts Security Investigations, reflected in 1942 that ^{one} MARTHA LEPOWSKY, 45 Hawthorne Street, Brooklyn, New York, was associated with, or was sympathetic to the Communist Party.

CP Meetings.

T-1 has advised that the subject attended "many" Communist Party meetings during 1947, 1948, and 1949.

Position in the Communist Party

T-1 has advised that the subject had been a teacher in the Painter's Branch of the Communist Party

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in New York City in 1946-1947, and during this course of instruction, the subject taught the five features of Leninism.

The informant advised further that from 1947 to 1949, the subject had been a teacher in the School of Marxist Study, at the Jefferson School of Social Science. The informant advised that this was considered as the inner school at Jefferson, where only Communist Party members were taught.

In addition, the informant has advised that the subject has been a teacher for the New York State Communist Party Education Commission.

International Workers Order

The International Workers Order has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

T-5 has advised that MARTHA ~~LEPOKAHN~~ KAHN was a member of Lodge Number 500, International Workers Order in July, 1951.

T-6 has advised that MARTHA LEPOWSKY was a member of Lodge Number 500, International Workers Order in December, 1946.

T-6 advised further that MARTHA ~~LEPOKAHN~~ KAHN was a member of Lodge Number 500, International Workers Order in 1950, 1951, and 1952.

American Labor Party

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications", dated May 14, 1951, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the American Labor Party:

- "1. 'For years, the Communists have put forth the greatest efforts to capture the entire American Labor Party throughout New York State. They succeeded in capturing the Manhattan and Brooklyn sections of the American Labor Party but outside of New York City they have been unable to win control.' (Special Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, March 29, 1944, Page 78.)
- "2. Among 'organizations that are victims of Communist domination.' (California Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 1948, Pages 40 and 41.)"

The records of the Bureau of Special Services and Investigation, New York City Police Department as reviewed by SA AUGUST J. MICEK on August 12, 1954, reflected that MARTHA LEPOKHAHN KAHN, 250 West 24th Street, New York City, signed an American Labor Party Nominating Petition, (Page 17) for CLIFFORD T. MC AVOY for President of the City Council in 1951, Third Assembly District.

The records of the Board of Elections, Borough of Manhattan, New York, as reviewed by SA WILLIAM R. MILLER, on August 16, 1954, reflected that MARTHA LEPOKHAHN KAHN resided at 250 West 24th Street, New York, New York, registered to vote from 1948 until 1953 giving as a party preference the American Labor Party for each of these years.

Teachers' Union.

The records of T-4 reflected in 1942 that one MARTHA LEPOWSKY, teacher at Lafayette High School, Brooklyn, New York, was reputed to be a member of the Executive Committee of the Teachers' Union.

The Rapp-Coudert Committee, a New York Legis-

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lative Committee which investigated subversive influences in the New York State Public Schools from 1940 until 1942, reported in February, 1942, that the Teachers' Union of New York City, was, at that time, commonly accepted and adequately proven to be controlled by ~~the~~ Communists. This committee also reported that teachers, who at that time still belonged to the Teachers' Union, could no longer be deemed ignorant of the true nature of the Teachers' Union, and they must be either Communists, willing tools of Communists, or willfully blind to the record.

Letters of Protest

The records of T-4 reflected in 1942 that one MARTHA LEPOWSKY, a teacher at Lafayette High School, Brooklyn, New York, had protested the dismissal of DALE ZYSMAN, a Communist Party suspect, from the United States Navy.

DALE ZYSMAN advised agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in 1952 that he had been a member of the Communist Party from 1926 until 1947 at New York, New York.

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T-7 has advised that MARTHA LEPOWSKY, 25 West 24th Street, New York City, had signed a letter to Governor THOMAS E. DEWEY in December, 1943, requesting a pardon for MORRIS U. SCHAPPES.

The records of the clerk of the General Sessions Court, County of New York, disclosed that MORRIS U. SCHAPPES, and instructor in English at the College of the City of New York, was dismissed on March 15, 1941, following an investigation of Communism in the Educational System, State of New York, by the Rapp-Coudert joint Legislative Committee. At the hearings in this investigation SCHAPPES admitted that he had been a member of the Communist Party and active as such on the college campus from 1935 until 1940. He testified subsequently that during the period of his activity there

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were but four other members of the College of the City of New York Unit of the Communist Party, whereas other witnesses offered testimony showing that there were fifty members.

On the basis of this testimony SCHAPPES was indicted on four counts for giving false testimony before the Committee. He was convicted on June 28, 1941, in the General Sessions Court, New York, New York, and sentenced to serve eighteen to twenty-four months in State Prison.

The records of the Bureau of Special Services and Investigation, New York City Police Department, reflected that MARTHA LEPOWSKY KAHN, 250 West 24th Street, New York City, sent a letter of protest to the State Capital, Albany, New York, concerning the Feinberg-Heck Bill in the New York Legislature, which bill was in regard to the ousting of the Communists from the New York School System.

Associates

T-8 has advised that MARTHA LEPOWSKY was known to RHEA SEILER.

T-9 advised in 1944 that RHEA SEILER was transferred from the Chelsea Branch of the Communist Party, New York, New York, to the North Beach Branch Communist Party, San Francisco, California.

T-1 advised that MARTHA KAHN was a close associate of MARY BERNIKOW LAUTNER. The informant advised that MARY LAUTNER was a member of the Communist Party in 1950.

Spouse

T-3 has advised that as of March, 1948, ISIDORE KAHN was a member of the Communist Party.

III MISCELLANEOUS

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York, as reviewed by SE GERARD M. LENAHAH on

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August 17, 1954, reflected no information pertinent to this investigation.

T-10, T-11, T-12, T-13, and T-14, who are familiar with phases of Communist Party activity in the New York City area, have advised that they did not know the subject, and were unable to furnish any information concerning her.

Description

T-1 furnished the following description of the subject:

Name	MARTHA KAHN
Aliases	MARTHA LEPOWSKY, Mrs. ISIDORE KAHN
Date of Birth	1/29/02
Place of Birth	Brooklyn, New York
Height	5'2"
Weight	115 lbs.
Hair	Gray
Build	Medium
Characteristics	Round youthful face.

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Identity of Source	Date of Activity And/or Description of Information	Date Received	Agent to Whom Furnished	Location
T-1 NY 588-S	CP Membership and CP activities	5/7/54	JOHN H. DOWNING HAROLD L. HOLT	100-118425-3
T-2 HENRY COSHBURN Division of Teachers Records, Board of Education, NYC	Subject considered "risk" by NYC Board of Education	6/16/54	WILLIAM J. DANIELSON	Instant Report
T-3 [REDACTED]	Documentation of ISIDORE KAHN.			
T-4 ONI, U.S. Navy. 3ND	Association or sympathy with CP	6/20/42	SAC	65-4309-13380
	Protest to USA re DALE ZYSMAN	6/12/42	SAC	100-31551-1757 P. 85
	Membership in Teachers' Union	"	"	"
T-5 [REDACTED]	IWO Membership	1/23/53	DAMON W. PITCHER	100-2936-1A612 (31)
T-6 [REDACTED]	IWO Membership	2/26/52	EVERETT K. DEANE A.E. FALLER	100-2936-1A612 (30)

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	IWO Membership	12/23/47	EVERETT K. DEANE SAMUEL N. JENNINGS	100-2936-1A612
T-7	Letter to Gov. THOMAS E. DEWEY official of the re pardon for State of NY who MORRIS U. SCHAPPES made the info in December, 1943 available to the Albany Office and was forwarded to NYO by letter, 1/24/44	1/24/44	SAC	100-59086-22,23
T-8	Anonymous			
T-9	Documentation of RHEA SEILER			

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Identity of Source	Date of Activity And/or Description of Information	Date Received	Agent to Whom Furnished	Location
T-10 NY 694-S	Negative	5/10/54	ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON	Instant Report
T-11 [REDACTED]	Negative	5/5/54	ARTHUR P. HEALY	"
T-12 [REDACTED]	Negative	5/5/54	ARTHUR P. HEALY	"
T-13 [REDACTED]	Negative	5/5/54	ARTHUR P. HEALY	"
T-14 [REDACTED]	Negative	5/6/54	RICHARD H. BLASSER	"
T-15 Pretext telephone call to subject's residence	Residence	8/18/54	HAROLD R. CLAUS	"

MISCELLANEOUS

It is noted that the subject's husband, ISIDORE KAHN, wa, Bufile 100-90032, is included in the Security Index of the NYO. *ny 100-90032*

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ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE CONT'DLEADSNEW YORKAt New York, New York.

Will attempt to determine subject's present employment.

✓ Will verify subject's birth at Brooklyn, New York.

✓ Will review Daily Mirror newspaper dated 5/5/53, for information concerning the subject. 235 E. 45 St. mm2-1000

✓ Will re-contact [redacted] through SA ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON, who furnished additional identifying information.

INDICES SEARCH SLIP

DATE

6/18/54

TO CHIEF CLERK:

SUBJECT MARTHA LEPOWSKY

ALIASES MARTHA L. KAHN, MRS ISIDORE KAHN.

ADDRESS 250 W 24th St. NYC, also. Bklyn addresses

DATE & PLACE OF BIRTH 1/29/02 BROOKLYN. N.Y.

Exact Spelling

All References

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Martha Lepowsky photostat of info rec'd 4/7/53.

100-94031-1B1-5 p69 unavailable

45 Hawthorne St Bklyn unable to locate

Summary of Karp's content info, see serial 247

100-2936-1a612 W incorporated

100-31551-424 p107 V incorporated

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 B-02-100 Lodge 500 incorporated.

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 ✓ 100-0-78335 Att. incorporated

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65-4309-13380

ONI flimsy blockstamp date 6/20/42 which reads as follows:

"MARTHA LEPOWSKY
45 Hawthorne St.
Brooklyn, N.Y. "

"Subject's name appears on a list of persons who are in varying degrees associated or sympathetic with the Communist Party. The list is being retained by B-7-CP of 3ND."

J.M.N.

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6/2/43

100-31551-424 p107

NY report dated 6/2/43 by SA JOHN E. PRATER
RE: LYDIA ALTSCHULER, with aliases, ET AL
ESPIONAGE - R

"Through a highly confidential source, the investigating agent was furnished with photostatic copy of an address book belonging to REA SEILER, which photostatic copy is being maintained as an exhibit in the New York file. Inasmuch as several Mexican addresses were observed, in the address book, the entire contents are being set out herewith."

One of the names listed is MARTHA LEPOWSKY.

J.M.D.

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10/26/43

100-31551-1757 p85

NY report dated 12/14/43 by SA JOHN E. PRATER

RE: LYDIA ALTSCHULER, with aliases, et al

IS - R

CENSORSHIP MATTERS

"~~REA SEILER - General~~"

"On October 26, 1943 a very confidential source advised that she was in San Francisco and until she found a place to live she could be reached at General Delivery. According to the confidential source when REA first reached town the morning of the 24th she called a man in the office of the Peoples World. She was instructed to come to the office. One of the female employees whose husband was a seaman on a trip, invited REA to stay temporarily with her. REA accepted until such time as she finds quarters of her own. When she does she will advise FANNY McPEEK of her address."

"A lead was set out in the report of Special Agent John E. Prater, dated June 2, 1943 at New York, to check the names set out therein at length (obtained from REA SEILER's address book) against the New York Office indices. This was done with the following results: "

"MARTHA LEPOWSKY - On June 12, 1942 Confidential Informant N advised that MARTHA LEPOWSKY (possibly identical) was a science teacher at Lafayette High School, Brooklyn; was reputed to be a Communist; and a member of the Executive Committee of the Teachers Union. He protested the dismissal DALE ZYSMAN, a Communist Party suspect, from the Navy."

J. M. R.

1/24/44

Documentation re persons sending letters to Governor Thomas E. Dewey requesting a pardon for MORRIS U. SCHAPPES, a professor at City College of New York and a member of the Communist Party. In 1941, in connection with the Rapp Coudert Committee Investigation of Communist Activities in New York Schools, SCHAPPES was convicted of Perjury.

7 100-59086- 22

Albany letter to New York dated 1/24/44
RE: COMMUNIST PARTY ACTIVITY
IS - C

100-59086- 23

New York memo dated 5/31/44 by SA JEROME W. BROWER
RE: MORRIS U. SCHAPPES' DEFENSE COMMITTEE
IS - C

IDENTITY OF SOURCE	DATE OF ACTIVITY AND/OR DESCRIPTION OF INFORMATION	DATE RECEIVED	AGENT TO WHOM FURNISHED	FILE AND SERIAL WHERE LOCATED
T-1 A high ranking official of the State of N.Y. who made the information available to the Albany Office and was forwarded to the NYO by letter 1/24/44	Letter to Gov. T.E. DEWEY re pardon for MORRIS U. SCHAPPES in Dec. 1943	Jan. 24, 1944	SAC, NEW YORK	100-59086- 22 23

Information taken from indices reflects:
NAME and ADDRESS OF PERSON SENDING LETTER TO GOVERNOR THOMAS E. DEWEY AS:

MARTHA LEPOWSKY, 25 W 24th St, N.Y.C.

12/23/47

FOIA(b) (7) - (D)

? 100-2936-1A612

NY memo dated 1/16/49 by SA ARTHUR E. DOOLEY
RE: IWO - IS - C

"[redacted] on 12/23/47 furnished to this office, [redacted] lists for [redacted] Lodges for the month of December 1946. Each list includes the Lodge number, name of the Secretary, residence address of the Secretary and the names of the Lodge members listed alphabetically. Next to each name is the birth year of the person."

"The original lists bearing the date received and the holographic initials of Special Agent E.K. Deane, and Special Employee S.W. Jennings were sent to the Bureau on 1/10/48. These persons can testify to the legally admissible character of the exhibit."

[redacted]

MARTHA LEPOWSKY DOB 1902 is set forth on the above mentioned.

[redacted]

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3/17/50

FOIA (b) (7) - (D)

7/100-2936-1A612. (24)

Re: IWO - IS-C

Orig & photo copy of IWO General Office Membership List for
Lodge #500 dated March 1950. Rec'd 3/17/50 from [redacted] by
SA F.K. Deane and A.W. Conroy, clerk.

Above listing bears the name of MARTHA L. KAHN DOB 1902.
See 3849.

7/100-2936-3849

N.Y. Ltr. to Director dated 4/12/50

Re: IWO - N.Y. Division

IS-C

'Submitted herewith is information obtained by [redacted] on 3/17/50 from
the building located at 80 Fifth Avenue.'
F.M. Ju

4/27/51

7 100-2936-1A612(28)

Re: IWO - IS-C.

Orig & photo copy of IWO General Office Membership
List dated April 1951 for Lodge #500. Rec'd. 4/27/51
from [redacted] by SA E. K. Deane & SA S. W. Jennings.

The name of MARTHA L. KAHN DOB 1902 appears on this list.
See 4982 A

7 100-2936-4982 A

N. Y. Ltr. to Director dated 5/31/51

Re: IWO - N. Y. Division

IS-C

"Submitted herewith is information obtained by Confidential Source
[redacted] on 4/27/51 from the building located at 80 Fifth
Avenue."

J.M.N.

2/26/52

FOIA(b) (7) - (D)

? 100-2936-1A612 (30)

Re: IWO - IS-C

Orig & carbon copy of IWO General Office Membership List for
Lodge #500 dated February 1952. Rec'd 2/26/52 from
 by Mr. E. K. Stone & Mr. A. E. Haller.

The name of MARTHA L. KAHN DOB 1902 appears on this list.
See 5504. (Unavailable)

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FOIA(b) (7) - (D)

7. 100-2936-1A612(31)

Re: IWO - IS-C

Photostatic copy of IWO General Office Membership List for Lodge 500 dated July 1951. Rec'd 1/23/53 from [redacted] by SA D. Pitcher.

MARTHA L. KAHN DOB 1902 is set out on the above listing.
See 6117 (Unavailable).

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6/18/54

TO CHIEF CLERK:

SUBJECT MARTHA KAHN

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MARTHA KAHN, was
SM-C

Re NY report of SA HAROLD R. CLAUS, 8/30/54.

✓ SE GERARD M. LENAHA checked the records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics for the Borough of Brooklyn on 9/28/54, to verify the subject's birth. He reported that he could not locate a record of the subject being born on 1/29/02.

✓ SE LENAHA also checked the records of the Marriage License Bureau for the Borough of Brooklyn on 9/23/54. He reported that he could not locate a record of the subject being married on 11/26/47.

✓ NY 694-S and [redacted] were contacted by SA ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON on 9/23/54. Both informants advised they did not know the subject.

✓ SA JOE N. HATHAWAY reviewed the "NY Daily Mirror" issue of 5/5/53 at the office of the Mirror at 235 East 45th Street, NYC. On page 3 of this issue appeared an article captioned "admitted Red names 65 as cell members." The article continued by relating that Mrs. DOROTHY FUNN testified before the House Un-American Activities Committee on 5/4/53 and named the subject as a Communist.

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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 12/8/54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9/23, 27, 28; 10/15, 19, 26; 11/2, 16, 18, 22, 24/54	REPORT MADE BY JOE N. HATHAWAY brt
TITLE MARTHA KAHN, was			CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Records at Marriage License Bureau reflect subject born on 1/25/02 and was married to ISIDORE KAHN on 11/26/47. "NY Daily Mirror" issue of 5/5/53 contains an article in which it stated that Mrs. DOROTHY FUNN named the subject as a "Communist" in her testimony before the House Un-American Activities Committee on 5/4/53. Birth records for Brooklyn negative to subject's birth on 1/29/02. Superintendent of subject's apartment believes subject to be employed.

DETAILS:

BACKGROUND

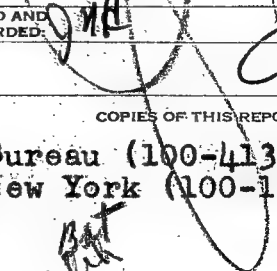
Birth Data

SE GERARD M. LENAHA checked the records of the Marriage License Bureau for the Borough of Manhattan on October 26, 1954. He reported that on the subject's application for marriage license her birth date was reflected as January 25, 1902 in New York City.

Marital Status

SE GERARD M. LENAHA reported that the records of the

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Marriage License Bureau for the Borough of Manhattan reflect that Marriage License Number 38214 was applied for by MARTHA LEPOWSKY and ISIDORE KAHN on November 24, 1947.

He further reported that the subject gave the following information on her application:

She was born on January 25, 1902 in New York City. Her parents were JAMES LEPOWSKY, born in Russia and BERTHA AARON, born in Russia. She was a white female, residing at 250 West 24th Street, New York City, and was a teacher by occupation. She indicated that this was her first marriage.

ISIDORE KAHN gave the following information concerning him on this application:

He was born on December 31, 1903 in Russia. His parents were HYMAN KAHN, born in Russia and RITA ANNE WIGODSKY, born in Russia. He was a white male, residing at 1452 Wilkins Avenue, Bronx, New York, and was a diamond setter by occupation. He indicated that this was his first marriage.

These records further reflect that they were married in New York City on November 26, 1947. The marriage was witnessed by BERTHA LEPOWSKY and SONIA M. KAHN.

AFFILIATION WITH THE COMMUNIST PARTY MOVEMENT

Communist Party Membership

The reporting agent reviewed the "New York Daily Mirror" issue on May 5, 1953 at the office of the "New York Daily Mirror" at 235 East 45th Street on September 27, 1954. On Page 3 of this issue there appeared an article captioned, "Admitted Red Named 65 As Cell Members". The article continued by relating that Mrs. DOROTHY FUNN testified before the House Un-American Activities Committee on May 4, 1953, and that she named the subject as a "Communist".

Communist Party Activity

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T-1 and T-2, both of known reliability who have knowledge of some Communist Party activity in the New York area, advised they do not know the subject.

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In efforts to verify the subject's birth on January 29, 1902, SE GERARD M. LENAHAAN checked the records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics for the Borough of Brooklyn, with negative results. He also checked the Marriage License Records for the Borough of Brooklyn with negative results.

SA WILLIAM J. DANIELSON, JR., reviewed the records of Hunter College on November 18, 1954. He reported that these records reflect the subject was born on January 29, 1902 in Brooklyn, New York.

Mr. HENRY A. SCHAAF of 250 West 24th Street, Superintendent of the subject's apartment at the same address, advised on November 2, 1954, he believes the subject to be employed, but he does not know the place of her employment. He based his belief on the fact that daily, except Saturday and Sunday, the subject usually leaves her apartment between 8:30 a.m. and 8:45 a.m. and does not return until around 5:00 p.m.

Mr. SCHAAF advised that Mr. HAROLD LEVINSON of the Rental Office governing the building, might possibly know where she is employed. He stated that the Rental Office is the Benenson Realty Company at 475 5th Avenue, New York City.

Miss HARRIET RAYNES, Secretary to HAROLD LEVINSON, at 475 5th Avenue, advised on November 22, 1954 that their records on the subject failed to reflect any employment. The record did show that the subject has resided at 250 West 24th Street since at least 1942. Miss RAYNES stated that Mr. LEVINSON was not in the office but that she would inquire if he has any knowledge of the subject's employment and advise the reporting agent.

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Miss RAYNES telephonically further advised that Mr. LEVINSON does not know where the subject is employed, but that she was formerly employed as a school teacher.

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T-1 NY 694-S	Negative	9/23/54	SA ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON	Instant Report
T-2 [REDACTED]	Negative	9/23/54	SA ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON	Instant Report

MISCELLANEOUS

For the information of the Bureau, Mr. SCHAAF stated on November 16, 1954 that the subject planned to have a painter paint her apartment in the near future. He recalled that from a conversation he had with the subject, the latter mentioned something about having this painter call the subject when he arrived. Therefore, SCHAAF believes that the painter will have the telephone number where the subject can be reached during the day. SCHAAF volunteered to get this phone number from the painter when he begins work and furnish it to the reporting agent.

Miss RAYNES stated that when the subject pays her December rent, she will note at what bank she does business and furnish same to the reporting agent.

LEADNEW YORKAt New York, New York

Will recontact Mr. HENRY SCHAAF and obtain the subject's phone number at work or the name of the painting company which did the subject's work.

Will recontact Miss HARRIET RAYNES and obtain the name of the bank where the subject has her account.

Will continue efforts to determine subject's employment.

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Will check the birth records for Brooklyn for the subject's birth on January 25, 1902.

REFERENCE: Report of SA HAROLD R. CLAUS 8/30/54, at New York.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK

DATE: January 4, 1955

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-new)

FOIA(b) (7) - (D)

SUBJECT: MARTHA KAHN
SM-C

On July 22 and 25, 1954, [redacted] made available to SA VERNON D. JENSEN et al; photographic copies of the records of the Los Angeles County Communist Party. Among this material was information relating to one VIC RADIC, a Security Index subject in the Los Angeles office.

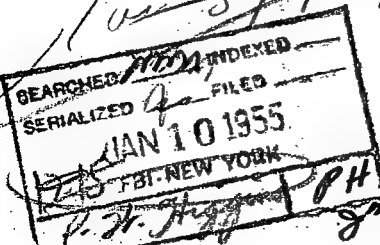
The original photographs and negatives are being retained in [redacted]

Page 1865 of the above material reflects the following concerning the subject, MARTHA KAHN, it being noted that at the top of this page was the date "6/52":

"V.R. and his wife have lived in this area for about two years. When he first came here, Merle had several discussions with him. Questions were raised during these discussions which resulted in our seeking more information about his previous activities and status in New York. A comrade from New York was here at the time and told us he had been expelled in New York for pro-Tito tendencies. (MARTHA KAHN 250 West 24th St. N.Y. 11 - on Co. Com. in N.Y.) He has never been in the Party in this area."

The above is furnished for your information.

CDM:BJF
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SAC, Los Angeles (100-New)

4/7/55

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SAC, New York (100-118425)

FOIA(b)(7) - (D)

MARTHA KAHN, was
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Reurlet to NY, 1/4/55 in instant case.

Los Angeles is requested to advised whether [redacted]
who made available information concerning the subject as set forth
in referenced communication, must be concealed by a T symbol.

If [redacted] need no longer be concealed by a T
symbol, the Los Angeles office is requested to advised NY, of
informant's identity.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NY (100-118425)

FROM : PATRICK W. HIGGINS, SA

SUBJECT: MARTHA KAHN, was
SM-C

DATE: 5/5/55

On 4/19/55 SAS WILLIAM A. BRACKEN and PATRICK W. HIGGINS conducted a fisur on apt. 5C, 250 W. 24th St., NYC, where subject is known to reside.

At 8:25 A.M. subject departed from her apartment and was surveilled to the Salvation Army Building at 3rd St. and Bowery, NYC. Subject was observed using key to enter this building at 8:55 A.M. this date.

Subject was observed as white female, about 55 years of age, light complexion, 5'2", 110 lbs., medium-light build, with thin legs, round face, and prominent white hair. Subject when observed was wearing rimless glasses, black flat shoes, and black coat.

On 4/22/55 CHARLES H. WISEMAN, Legal Advisor, Slavation Army, 120-130 W. 14th St., NYC (whose identity should be protected by a T symbol), advised that the subject is presently employed as a secretary to Major OLIVE McKEOWN (phone number GR 5-7366), Salvation Army, 349 Bowery, NYC, and has held this position since 3/1/54. Prior to this position subject worked as a stenographer-typist for the Salvation Army at 120-130 W. 14th St., NYC, from 1/26/54 to March, 1954. Subject's personnel file reflected her birth date as 1/29/04 and her Social Security No. as 127-28-7384. Subject's previous employment was listed as Board of Education, Livingston St., Brooklyn, NY, January, 1924 to 1951. Subject set forth marriage as her reason for leaving this employment.

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The identity of [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, should be concealed by a "T" symbol. *AVC*

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MARTHA KAHN, WAS; SM-C.

Reurlet dated 1/4/55 and NY let to Los Angeles dated 4/7/55. Please expedite.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

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TITLE MARTHA KAHN, was			CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: T-1, who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning the subject's employment, advised 4/22/55, that subject as of that date, was employed as a Secretary with the Salvation Army, NYC. T-2, who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning the subject's residence, advised 4/19/55, that the subject, as of that date, resided in apartment 5-C, 250 West 24th Street, NYC. T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in July, 1954, that MARTHA KAHN, 250 W. 24th St., NYC, was on the County Committee of the CP in NY. Description set forth.

DETAILS:

I. BACKGROUND

Birth Data

SE GERARD M. LENAHAN on May 17, 1955, reviewed the records of the New York City Bureau of Vital Statistics, Borough of Brooklyn, and could locate no record of the birth of MARTHA LEPOWSKY on January 25, 1902, or January 29, 1902. The subject listed her name as MARTHA LEPOWSKY on her marriage application.

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Employment

T-1, who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning the subject's employment, advised on April 22, 1955, that MARTHA KAHN, as of that date, was employed as a Secretary to Major OLIVE McKEOWN, Salvation Army, 349 Bowery, New York City, and has held this position since March 1, 1954.

T-1 asserted that prior to her obtaining the above mentioned Secretary's position, she was employed as a stenographer-typist for the Salvation Army at 120-130 West 14th Street, New York City from January 26, 1954, to March, 1954.

Informant revealed that at the time the subject was employed, she indicated that she was born January 29, 1904, and that her Social Security number was 127-28-7384. T-1 concluded by stating that the subject listed as a prior employment, the New York City Board of Education, Livingston Street, Brooklyn, New York, from January, 1924 to 1951.

Residence

T-2, who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning the subject's residence, advised on April 19, 1955, that the subject, as of that date, resided in apartment 5-C, 250 West 24th Street, New York City.

II. AFFILIATION WITH THE COMMUNIST MOVEMENT

T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, in July, 1954, advised that MARTHA KAHN, 250 West 24th Street, New York 11, was on the County Committee of the Communist Party in New York City, date unknown by T-3.

T-3 advised that he had no additional information concerning the subject.

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III. DESCRIPTION

The following description of the subject was obtained from information furnished by T-1 and T-2:

Name	MARTHA KAHN, was
Sex	Female
Race	White
Height	5 feet 2 inches
Weight	110
Build	Medium
Hair	Gray
Characteristics	Wears rimless glasses, round face, thin legs
Employment	Secretary, Salvation Army, 349 Bowery, New York City
Former employment	New York City Board of Education, January, 1924 to 1951
Residence	Apartment 5-C, 250 West 24th Street, New York City
Social Security	127-28-7384
Marital Status	Married.

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<u>Identity of Source</u>	<u>Date of Activity And/or Description of Information</u>	<u>Date Received</u>	<u>Agent to whom Furnished</u>	<u>File Number where Located</u>
T-1, CHARLES H. WISEMAN, Legal Advisor, Salvation Army, 120-130 W. 14th St., NYC	Employment	4/22/55	PATRICK W. HIGGINS	100-118425-11
T-2, Fisur	Residence	4/19/55	PATRICK W. HIGGINS, WILLIAM A. BRACKEN	100-118425-11
T-3, [REDACTED]	Subject on County Committee CP, NY	7/22 & 25/54	VERNON D. JENSEN, Et Al	[REDACTED]

Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed and T symbols were utilized in the report only in those instances where the identity of the source must be concealed.

MISCELLANEOUS

Inasmuch as T-1 and T-2 furnished information concerning the subject's employment, the leads set forth in the report of SA JOE N. HATHAWAY, dated 12/8/54 at NY, to determine subject's employment, were not covered and therefore, will not be reported.

LEADSNEW YORKAt New York, New York

1. Will continue efforts to verify subject's birth.

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LEADS (CON'T)

NEW YORK

At New York, New York

2. Will contact additional informants in an effort to secure information concerning the subject's current activities in the Communist Party.

3. Will consider submitting Form FD 122 for inclusion of the subject's name on the Security Index.

REFERENCE Report of SA JOE N. HATHAWAY, 12/8/54, NY.

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Director, FBI (100-413339)

8/10/55 SAC

Jan 3 SAC, New York (100-118425)

MARTHA KAHN, was
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NAME MARTHA KAHN

ALIASES Martha Lepowsky, Mrs. Isidore Kahn

Birth not
NATIVE BORN verified NATURALIZED ALIEN

COMMUNIST ☒ SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE

MISCELLANEOUS (Specify)

TAB FOR DETCOM TAB FOR COMSAB RACE White SEX Female

DATE OF BIRTH Not verified PLACE OF BIRTH

BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address)

Salvation Army, 349 Bowery, NYC

Chief Clerk
Post

KEY FACILITY DATA:

GEOGRAPHICAL REFERENCE NUMBER RESPONSIBILITY

INTERESTED AGENCIES

RESIDENCE ADDRESS Apt. 5C, 250 West 24th St., NYC

REGISTERED MAIL

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Martha Kahn, with alias

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, on July 22 and 25, 1954, made available photographic copies of the records of the Los Angeles County Communist Party. Among this material was information relating to one, Via Radic, a Security Index subject of the Los Angeles Office.

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NY 588-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on May 7, 1954, that the subject was a member of the Communist Party from 1946 through 1949. The informant described the subject as a "hard core" Communist Party member. He stated that the subject attended "many" Communist Party meetings during 1947, 1948 and 1949.

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According to Mrs. Funn's testimony, Martha Lepowsky was a New York City teacher and as of July, 1939 had probably been a Communist Party member for at least a year, inasmuch as Mrs. Funn said one of the requirements to attend the school was at least a year's membership in the Communist Party.

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In view of the information furnished by [redacted] to the effect that the subject was on the New York County Committee of the Communist Party probably in June, 1952, and due to her extensive activity in the Communist Party during the 1940's including her teaching in the School of Marxists Study at the JSSS from 1947 to 1949, it is recommended that her name be included on the Security Index of the New York Office.

THROUGHT TO *New York* OFFICE

FD-122
(5-11-53)

Director, FBI (100-41339)

SAC, New York (100-118425)

MARTHA KAHN, was
SM-C

Security Index 8/10/55 received and prepared, two copies attached. Place description and photograph on reverse side of geographical card. Cards should be filed in your Security Index.

[Mirrored text from reverse side of card]

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ALIASES Martha Lepowsky, Mrs. Isidore Kahn

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DATE: 9-22-55
BY: *ef*

Birth not
NATIVE BORN verified NATURALIZED ALIEN

COMMUNIST X SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE

MISCELLANEOUS (Specify)

TAB FOR DETCOM TAB FOR COMSAB RACE White SEX Female

DATE OF BIRTH Not verified PLACE OF BIRTH

BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address)

Salvation Army, 349 Bowery, NYC

KEY FACILITY DATA:

GEOGRAPHICAL REFERENCE NUMBER RESPONSIBILITY

INTERESTED AGENCIES

RESIDENCE ADDRESS Apt. 5C, 250 West 24th St., NYC

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Director, FBI (100-413339)

10/18/55

SAC, New York (100-118425)

MARTHA KAHN, was.
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NAME

ALIASES

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SI UNIT

DATE 10-18-55

NATIVE BORN ☒ NATURALIZED ☐ ALIEN ☐

COMMUNIST ☐ SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY ☐ INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE ☐

MISCELLANEOUS (Specify) ☐

TAB FOR DETCOM ☐ TAB FOR COMSAB ☐ RACE ☐ SEX ☐

DATE OF BIRTH 1/29/02 PLACE OF BIRTH Brooklyn, New York

BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address) ☐

KEY FACILITY DATA:

GEOGRAPHICAL REFERENCE NUMBER ☐ RESPONSIBILITY ☐

INTERESTED AGENCIES ☐

RESIDENCE ADDRESS ☐

RM

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100-118425-17

TO: SAC, New York

DATE: 9/20/55

FROM: William A. Bracken

SUBJECT: MARTHA KAHN, was
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Should appear on report for Decon ()' Comasp ()'

FILE NO: 100-118 425

(53) Reason, a Certificate Number:

Section 87C, 3b(4), Manual of Instructions, directed the description and photograph should be placed on the reverse side of the Security Index Card. In regard to the photograph, the most recent one should be used if there is a choice. A review of the subject's file reflects there is - is not - a photograph of the above-captioned subject available for placing with the Security Index Card. (If more than one photograph is available, the Agent handling the investigation should indicate the photograph to be used.)

A review of the subject's file also reflects the following to be the most complete and current description of the subject, which description should be placed on the reverse side of the Security Index Card at the time it is made up:

- (1) Name and aliases: MARTHA KAHN, was:
MARTHA LEPONSKY, MRS. STORRE KAHN
- (2) Sex: female
- (3) Color (race): W
- (4) Age: approx 53
- (5) Residence: 250 W. 24 ST., NYC
- (6) Height: 5'2" (including the number of inches over 5 feet)
- (7) Weight: approx 110 lbs
- (8) Build: medium
- (9) Hair: Gray
- (10) Eyes: Unknown
- (11) Complexion: Light

NOTED

31 UNIT

DATE 9-22-55

100-118 425-16

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W. Bracken

- (12) Scars and Marks: *None known*
- (10) Eyes: *Blue*
- (13) Peculiarities: *Very gray hair*
- (14) Occupation: *Secretary*
- (15) Marital Status: *Married*
- (16) Immediate Relatives (including the number of minor children):

(2) *Husband: Delore Kahn*

(4) *Age: 23*

(3) *Color (race):*

(17) Nationality: *American*

(18) Country of Birth: *U.S. (not verified) over known*

(19) Fingerprint Classification: *Not known*

based on the release date of the description index card at the time it is made up: most commonly (20) FBI Police Number: *None known* which description should be a release of the subject, a file also reflects the following to be the

index card (21) Criminal Record showing sources: *None known* (If more than one bureau is assigned, the agent handling the release of the above-subjected subject should be assigned with the description source. A release of the subject, a file reflects there is - is not - a bureau in relation to the bureau, the most recent one should be used if there is a and bureau (22) Social Security Number: *127-28-7384* index card. Section 8AC, 3P(4) Manual of Instructions directed the description

(23) Seamen's Certificate Number: _____

Check following: *452*

Should subject be tabbed for Detcom (), Comsab ().

SUBJECT: *W. J. ...*

FROM: *W. J. ...*

TO: *W. J. ...*

DATE: *2/30/22*

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 10/24/55	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9/20, 22, 27; 10/13, 14, 17/55	REPORT MADE BY WILLIAM A. BRACKEN	cx
TITLE CHANGED MARTHA KAHN; was, Martha Lipavski			CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Records of BVS, Bklyn, NY, reflected MARTHA LIPAVSKI was born Bklyn, NY, 1/29/02. A pretext telephone call on 10/17/55, revealed subject resided at 250 W. 24th St., NYC. T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on 10/17/55, that subject was employed as a secretary for the Salvation Army.

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DETAILS:

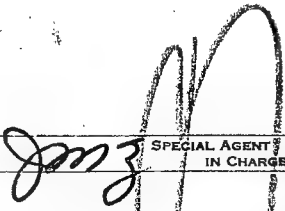

The title of this report is marked changed to include the alias of MARTHA LIPAVSKI which is the name appearing on the subject's birth record at the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Brooklyn, New York.

BACKGROUND

Birth Data

CHARLES FISCHER, Division of Teachers Records, Board of Education, New York City, on September 22, 1955, advised SA WILLIAM J. DANIELSON, Jr., that the records of the Board of Education reflect that MARTHA L. KAHN of 250 West 24th

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Street, New York City, was born on Christopher Street, Brooklyn, New York, on January 29, 1902, as MARTHA LEPOWSKY.

The records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Brooklyn, New York, as reviewed by SE GERARD M. LENAHER on September 27, 1955, reflected that MARTHA LIPAVSKI, Certificate Number 2533, was born January 29, 1902, at Brooklyn, New York. Her father's name was listed as JAMES B. LIPAVSKI, born in Russia, and her mother as BERTHA MARGEN, born in Russia. Their residence was shown as 184 Christopher Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Residence

A pretext telephone call by a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) was made on October 17, 1955, to Chelsea 3-3967 which is listed in the Manhattan, New York Telephone Directory to ISIDORE KAHN, 250 West 24th Street, New York City. It was ascertained at this time that the subject resided at that address.

Employment

T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on October 17, 1955, that as of that date the subject was employed as a Secretary to Major OLIVE Mc KEOWN, Salvation Army, 349 Bowery, New York City. T-1 revealed that on October 14, 1955, the subject announced her decision to resign from her present position pending a replacement. The informant offered the opinion that in all probability the subject would be leaving the employ of the Salvation Army in approximately two weeks. The informant could furnish no information concerning the reason for the subject's resignation nor could he furnish any information as to her plans for future employment.

Miscellaneous

Confidential informants, who have furnished reliable information in the past, and who are familiar with certain phases of Communist Party activities in the New York City area were contacted and advised that the subject was unknown to them and they could furnish no information concerning her.

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T-1				
CHARLES H. WISEMAN, Legal Advisor, Salvation Army, 120-130 W. 14th St., NYC	Employment	10/17/55	SA DONALD F. WISEMAN	Instant report

Unidentified confidential informants referred to in the details of this report are as follows:



Negative	10/13/55	SA ARTHUR P. HEALY	Instant report
Negative	10/13/55	SA ARTHUR P. HEALY	Instant report
Negative	10/13/55	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER	Instant report
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MISCELLANEOUS

The form FD 122 is being submitted to reflect the subject's date and place of birth. The information on the subject's SI card in the NYO was checked and found to be current and correct.

The pretext telephone call referred to in the details of this report was made by SA WILLIAM A. BRACKEN on 10/17/55, during which time SA BRACKEN identified himself as a friend of the subject. The person answering this call identified himself as the husband of the subject.

The subject's husband, ISIDORE KAHN, wa (NY file 100-90032), was removed from the Security Index of the NYO.

LEADSNEW YORKAt New York, New York

Will recontact T-1 within thirty days and ascertain subject's employment status.

Will consider interviewing subject under the Security Informant Program.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
TRANSMIT TO New York **OFFICE**

TO : Director, FBI (100-413339)

DATE: 10/18/55

FROM : SAC, New York (100-118425)

SUBJECT: MARTHA KAHN, was.
SM-CCorrected Security Index cards
attached. Substitute for cards
in file and destroy old cards.
Place photograph and description on
reverse side of geographical card.

It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the
above-captioned individual.

X The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be
changed as follows: (Specify change only)

NAME _____

ALIASES _____

NATIVE BORN X NATURALIZED _____ ALIEN _____

COMMUNIST _____ SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY _____ INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE _____

MISCELLANEOUS (Specify) _____

TAB FOR DETCOM _____ TAB FOR COMSAB _____ RACE _____ SEX _____

DATE OF BIRTH 1/29/02 PLACE OF BIRTH Brooklyn, New York

BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address) _____

KEY FACILITY DATA:

GEOGRAPHICAL REFERENCE NUMBER _____ RESPONSIBILITY _____

INTERESTED AGENCIES _____

RESIDENCE ADDRESS _____

REGISTERED MAIL

WAB:CT

S.I. CARDS FILED

DATE: 11-1-55BY: mt

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-413339)

DATE: 12/20/55

FROM :

SAC, New York (100-118425)

SUBJECT:

MARTHA KAHN, was.
SM-C

NOTED

SI UNIT

DATE 12/20/55
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NAME _____

ALIASES Add: Martha Lipavski

NATIVE BORN _____ NATURALIZED _____ ALIEN _____

COMMUNIST _____ SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY _____ INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE _____

MISCELLANEOUS (Specify) _____

TAB FOR DETCOM _____ TAB FOR COMSAB _____ RACE _____ SEX _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ PLACE OF BIRTH _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address) _____

Unemployed

KEY FACILITY DATA:

GEOGRAPHICAL REFERENCE NUMBER _____ RESPONSIBILITY _____

INTERESTED AGENCIES _____

RESIDENCE ADDRESS _____

REGISTERED MAIL

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*[Signature]*100-118425-20
[Signature]

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-413339)

12/28/55

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N MARTHA KAHN, was
SM-C
SECURITY INFORMANT PROGRAM,
NEW YORK DIVISION

Rereport of SA WILLIAM A. BRACKEN, 10/24/55,
at New York.

The above captioned individual is being considered
for interview under the Security Informant Program.

BACKGROUND

Subject was born on 1/29/02 in Brooklyn, NY. She
is a member of the white race and a citizen of the US. Subject,
as of 12/20/55, resided in Apartment 5C, 250 West 24th
St., NYC. She is married to ISIDORE KAHN, who is the subject
of a closed security case in the NYO in the case entitled
ISIDORE KAHN, wa, NY 100-90032.

Subject attended Maxwell Training School of
Teachers, Brooklyn, NY, from 1919 to 1921. She attended Hunter
College, Evening Division, from 1928 until 1931, and was
granted a Bachelor of Science degree in Education, Hunter
College, in 1934.

A pretext telephone call on 12/20/55 to an
unidentified individual at the Salvation Army, 349 Bowery,
NYC, revealed that the subject resigned from her position with
that organization approximately one month ago and was presently
unemployed.

ACTIVITIES

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information
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this material was information relating to one VIC RADIO, a
Security Index subject of the Los Angeles Office.

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Letter to Director
NY 100-118425

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TRANSMIT TO *N.Y.* OFFICEFD-122
(5-11-53)

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-413339)

DATE: 12/20/55

FROM : SAC, New York (100-118425) Corrected Security Index cards

attached. Substitute for cards
in file and destroy old cards.SUBJECT: MARTHA KAHN, was.
SM-CPlace photograph and description on
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ALIASES Add: Martha Lipavski

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KEY FACILITY DATA:

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-118425)

MARTHA KAHN, was
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SECURITY INFORMANT PROGRAM,
NEW YORK DIVISION

Rereport of SA WILLIAM A. BRACKEN, 10/24/55,
at New York.

The above captioned individual is being considered
for interview under the Security Informant Program.

BACKGROUND

Subject was born on 1/29/02 in Brooklyn, NY. She is a member of the white race and a citizen of the US. Subject, as of 12/20/55, resided in Apartment 5C, 250 West 24th St., NYC. She is married to ISIDORE KAHN, who is the subject of a closed security case in the NYO in the case entitled ISIDORE KAHN, wa, NY 100-90032.

Subject attended Maxwell Training School of Teachers, Brooklyn, NY, from 1919 to 1921. She attended Hunter College, Evening Division, from 1928 until 1931, and was granted a Bachelor of Science degree in Education, Hunter College, in 1934.

A pretext telephone call on 12/20/55 to an unidentified individual at the Salvation Army, 349 Bowery, NYC, revealed that the subject resigned from her position with that organization approximately one month ago and was presently unemployed.

ACTIVITIES

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Date 1/6/56

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-413339)

2/10/56

SAC, NEW YORK (100-118425)

MARTHA KAHN
SM - CSECURITY INFORMANT PROGRAM
NEW YORK DIVISION

Re New York letter to Bureau, 12/28/55.

Since submission of referenced letter, surveillances were conducted on 1/12, 13, 17, 23, 30, 31/56, in an attempt to interview the subject but without results. Investigation has disclosed that KAHN is currently unemployed and maintains irregular hours. Further attempts will be made to contact the subject under the provisions of captioned program, if approved by the Bureau.

Bureau authority is requested for an additional 30-day interview period.

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TO : SAC, New York (100-118425)

DATE: February 23, 1956

FROM : *JAM* Director, FBI (100-413339)

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SUBJECT: MARTHA KAHN
SECURITY MATTER - CSECURITY INFORMANT PROGRAM
NEW YORK DIVISION

Reurlet dated February 10, 1956,

An additional 30-day period is granted
in which to interview subject, as requested in
relet.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-97061) (12) DATE: 2/17/56
FROM : SA DAVID RYAN
SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS

Bulet 1/26/56, set out instructions for the NYC to immediately open cases and conduct active investigation on a selective basis of party leaders on a regional, county, city, section and club level. The purpose of this investigation will be to establish the contacts of these individuals and thereby identify rank and file CP members in the lower organizational units.

1-ASAC DONALD E. MOORE
1-Supervisor T. SCOTT MILLER (12)
1-Supervisor CYRIL J. RYAN (20)
1-NY (100-37330) (JOE LNU, aka; "RED") (12-14)
1-NY (100-70535) (NORVIL WELCH) (12-14)
1-NY (100-59634) (EDNA COLEMAN) (12-14)
1-NY (100-94374) (VICKIE AMTER) (12-14)
1-NY (100-120215) (LILLIAN IMMERMAN) (12-14)
1-NY (100-81261) (BEN. SIMONOWSKY) (12-15)
1-NY (100-88013) (SOPHIE NASCIMENTO) (12-15)
1-NY (100-62893) (CECELIA DEIBELE) (12-15)
①-NY (100-118425) (MARTHA KAHN) (12-15)
1-NY (100-85889) (NEL GREENFIELD) (12-15)
1-NY (100-103973) (ROSCOE SMITH) (12-16)
1-NY (100-88395) (ROSE REITER) (12-16)
1-NY (100-95477) (ROBERT WHILEY) (12-16)
1-NY (100-115272) (ESTHER VALFER) (12-16)
1-NY (100-62625) (VIVIAN BARR) (12-16)
1-NY (100-32433) (DAVID LEEDS) (20-11)
1-NY (100-67170) (ANNETTE SILBERMAN) (20-11)
1-NY (100-52710) (DANNY GREENWALD) (20-10)
1-NY (100-63578) (LEAH LESTER) (20-10)
1-NY (100-83283) (HERMAN LOPATA) (20-10)
1-NY (100-84791) (IRVING WORKOFF) (20-10)
1-NY (100-85337) (HAROLD K. STEVENS) (20-10)
1-NY (100-103494) (LEON FELDERMAN) (20-10)
1-NY (100-125370) (LEAH BECKER) (20-10)
1-NY (100-126098) (LEONA EDINBURG) (20-10)
1-NY (100-64740) (SARAH BROUWER) (20-13)
1-NY (100-58578) (BESS DLUGIN) (20-13)
1-NY (100-323) (SAM DLUGIN) (20-13)

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The Bureau instructed it be advised by 3/25/56 the number of cases developed on rank and file members as a result of the above instructions.

Copies of this memorandum have been designated for case files on individuals who are believed currently active in the CP and on whom active investigation may be expected to enable the NYO to identify rank and file CP members. These cases should be opened and assigned and actively investigated immediately.

A memo should be submitted to captioned case file (NY 100-97061) not later than 3/15/56, setting forth the number of cases developed as a result of active investigation of individuals to whom copies of this memo have been designated, together with the names of subjects and method by which developed.

VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION ON SECURITY INDEX CARD

NOTED
SI UNIT
DATE 3-19-56
cmh

MEMORANDUM RE:

Martha Kahn

Office File

100-118425

The following is the most recent place of employment, employment address, and residence address of the above subject as contained on the subject's Security Index Card.

Residence:

Apt. 5C, 250 West 24th St, N.Y., N.Y.

Employment:

Unemployed

Address:

Key Facility

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Yes

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No

Detcom

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Yes

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No

Security Flash

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Yes

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No

Photo

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Yes

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No

*MAN. #10**MAN. #10*

It is requested that the place of employment, address of employment, residence address of the subject, as well as the accuracy of the priority tabbing, be verified and the proper notations be made below. The absence of a photograph and posting of a Security Flash should be noted and efforts made to secure a photograph and determine the existence of a criminal record.

A physical description based on personal observation of the subject appears in serial _____

Residence:

Same

Method of Verification:

*Intercept phone call - TV salesman**100-118425-27*

Neighborhood Source:

Date: *3/12/56*

Verified by SA:

Sanford A. Moen

Employment:

"TRANSLATIONS," 130 W. 57th St, N.Y.C.

Address:

Key Facility:

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Yes

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No

Date Checked:

Geographical Reference Number:

Tab Detcom:

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Yes

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No

Method of Verification:

*① Surveillance 3/14/56 - see memo**② Intercept phone call 3/14/56 - see memo*

Employment Source:

Date: *3/14/56*

Verified by SA:

Sanford A. Moen

FD-122 should be submitted to Bureau:

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Yes

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No

S.A. Moen
Security Index Verification
Assigned to: *J. S. [Signature]*

Date:

3/20/56

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Director, FBI (100-413339)

3/19/56

SAC, New York (100-118425)

NOTED
SI UNIT

MARTHA KAHN, was.
SM-C

DATE 3-19-56
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It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the above-captioned individual.

☒ The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be changed as follows: (Specify change only)

NAME _____

ALIASES _____

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COMMUNIST _____ SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY _____ INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE _____

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TAB FOR DETCOM _____ TAB FOR COMSAB _____ RACE _____ SEX _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ PLACE OF BIRTH _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address) _____

"Translations", 130 West 57th Street, New York, New York

KEY FACILITY DATA:

GEOGRAPHICAL REFERENCE NUMBER _____ RESPONSIBILITY _____

INTERESTED AGENCIES _____

RESIDENCE ADDRESS _____

REGISTERED MAIL

SAM: MTR
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-118425)

FROM : SA SANFORD A. MOEN

SUBJECT: MARTHA KAHN
SM - C

DATE: 3/26/56

On 3/14/56 the subject was interviewed by SA SANFORD A. MOEN under the Security Informant Program and the following information is being set forth for information purposes.

On 3/14/56 at 8:35 AM, the subject was observed leaving her apartment building at 250 West 24th Street, NYC. She walked through the courtyard of this apartment development to 23rd Street where she boarded the "BB" train of the uptown local of the 8th Avenue subway located on the northeast corner of 8th Avenue and 23rd Street. KAHN departed from the train at the Columbus Circle station and walked to 57th Street. She was subsequently surveilled to 130 West 57th Street, NYC.

A pretext conversation with an unidentified elevator operator reflected that KAHN had been employed with the firm "Translations" during the past few weeks. A pretext phone call was made to this firm (Circle 6-1667) on 3/14/56 by SA MOEN. An unidentified male answered the phone stating that MARTHA KAHN had just stepped out but would return shortly.

The following is a description of the subject taken from personal observation at the time of the interview:

Race	White
Sex	Female
Height	5 feet approximately
Weight	100 pounds approximately
Complexion	Light
Hair	Noticeably gray, worn straight and short, a boyish haircut
Miscellaneous	Wore glasses which were dark rimmed around the lens, rest of the frame appeared clear plastic; walks with toes pointed slightly outward; has thin legs; wore low, flat shoes, gray coat with gray fur collar and a small black hat.

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-118425)

MARTHA KAHN
SM - C

SECURITY INFORMANT PROGRAM
NEW YORK DIVISION

Re NY letters to Bureau 12/18/55 and 2/10/56,
and Bulet to New York, 2/23/56.

On 3/14/56 the subject was interviewed in
accordance with the provisions of the captioned program and
the results follow:

On 3/14/56 at 5:10 PM, the subject was observed
leaving the building located at 130 West 57th Street, NYC.
Prior investigation had disclosed that the subject recently
began employment with a firm called "Translations" located
at that address.

The subject walked west on 57th Street toward
7th Avenue. When she was a discreet distance from her
place of employment she was contacted by SA SANFORD A.
MOEN while SA JAMES G. FITZGERALD observed the interview
from a discreet location in order to insure that security
conditions prevailed.

When KAHN heard her name being called she turned
around and acknowledged that she was MARTHA KAHN and smiling
asked what the agent wanted. As soon as the agent produced
his credentials and identified himself, the smile left the
subject's face and she immediately retorted, "I have nothing
to say," as she walked away. The agent followed KAHN and
inquired as to the reason for her reaction, stating that
she did not even know the purpose of the contact. KAHN made
no reply but increased her pace and when she neared the corner
of 57th Street and 7th Avenue, she darted into the crowd
merging at a nearby subway entrance. The interview was
terminated at this point.

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Letter to Director
NY 100-118425

Because of the subject's uncooperative attitude, no further attempts will be made to recontact her at this time.

A summary report is currently being prepared on the captioned subject and the results of the interview will be reported therein.

FOR SUMMARY REPORT

FD-160

INDICES SEARCH SLIP

TO CHIEF CLERK:

Date

3/8/56

SUBJECT

MARTHA KAHN

ALIASES

MARTHA LEPOVSKY, MRS ISIDORE KAHN, MARTHA LIPAVSKI

ADDRESS

250 WEST 24 ST, NYC, N.Y.

DATE & PLACE OF BIRTH

1/29/02, BROOKLYN, N.Y.

Exact Spelling

All References

Subversive References

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1 103 Vermilyea Ave, NYC

2 6030 Madison St 4-B, Bklyn, NY

2 190 Beach - 138 St, Rockaway Beach, NY

NI 100-5445-7*

husband - Simon

25 Hillside Ave NYC

QCR # 3523301

dob 2/5/02 - Germany

I 100-118425*

cf

I [redacted] w [redacted] not reported
dob 1/29/02, Bklyn

Searched by

Clark

H.G. Backen

Agent

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TO: CHIEF CLERK

Date

Subject

Martha Kahn

Aliases

Address

Birth Date

Birthplace

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re M. KAHN - b. Breslau, Germany

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113 4 Ave,

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re MEKIE KAHN - Harlem Prison

177-64-106 Ave, Jamaica 5, L.I. NY of "Dorcas"

(Dw pines)

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WA Brocken

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Margaret Aronson (date)

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TO: CHIEF CLERK

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M. Kahn

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53 E 57 St, NYC

re M. KAHN (see 100-65568 info below)

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1460 Clay Ave (where Bt CPA)

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53 W 52 St

ALP meeting at M. KAHN's home - 53 W 52 St

re MANIA KAHN - reducing studio

NY 100-78103X

1460 Clay Ave, Bk

re: M. KAHN

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WA Brecken

Squad

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<i>100-85800-1B2611</i>		<i>re Isidore Kahn</i>	<i>Not reported</i>
<i>100-89696-557 p 53 (1650 B'way, NYC)</i>		<i>re ISIDORE KAHN</i>	<i>Not reported</i>
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New York City 3, N.Y."

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Set out in aforementioned, in part, is following:

"Subject was born 1/29/02 in Brooklyn, N.Y. She is a member of the white race & a citizen of the U.S. Subject as of 12-28-55, resided in Apt 5C, 250 W. 24 St., NYC. She is married to SIDORE KAHN who is the subject of a closed security case in the NY O... NY 100-90032.

"Subject attended Maxwell Training School of Teachers, Bklyn NY from 1919 to 1921... attended Hunter College, Evening Division from 1928 to until 1931, & was granted a Bachelor of Science degree in Education, Hunter College, in 1934.

"A pretext telephone call on 12/20/55 to an unidentified individual at the Salvation Army, 349 Bowry, NYC, revealed that subject resigned from her position with that organization approximately one month ago & was presently unemployed."

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re: "Communist Infiltration of Education; Internal Security - C"

p.1 "The following is a summary of the important evidence secured in connection with individuals in the two educational systems. The source of each item, where known, is indicated in each instance. Where the evidence is sworn testimony, it is indicated by the prefatory word 'testified'. Such testimony is private hearing testimony unless otherwise noted. Other evidence referred to is based upon interviews, correspondence, or other communications.

#332. MARTHA LEPOWSKY
45 Hawthorne Street, Brooklyn
Haven H.S. - Teacher

On majority slate of T.V. for AF of T delegate for 1938. Col. GOTTFRIED, G-2, furnished information that this woman allegedly teaches Communist principles in her classes; that pupils & grade adviser have complained. She formerly taught at Erasmus Hall H.S., where she was a close friend of LOUIS ROSENTHAL, head of T.V. group at that school. That she visited Russia recently.

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The USSR Information Bulletin was a publication of the Soviet Embassy in Washington, D. C. & was distributed twice monthly. On 7-15-52, the US Dept of State directed the USSR to suspend Soviet Embassy publications in U.S.

Listed among others in aforementioned:

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2840 56 Place
Woodside, L.I.

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TITLE MARTHA KAHN, was; Mrs. Isidore Kahn, Martha Lepowsky, Martha Lipavski			CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C

SUMMARY REPORT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Subject resides in Apartment 5c, 250 West 24th Street, NYC, and is employed by Translations, 130 West 57th St., NYC. Informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised subject on County Committee CP in NY. JOHN LAUTNER advised KAHN CP member 1946 - 1949; taught in painters branch CP, NYC, 1946-1947; taught JSSS, 1947-1949. Informants who have furnished reliable information in the past advised KAHN member IWO, 1946, 1951 and 1952. DOROTHY FUNN, self-admitted CP member, in 1953, stated she knew subject to be CP member in 1939. Records of BSS, 1954, reflect subject signed ALP Petition, 1951. Board of Election records, NYC, reflect subject registered ALP preference 1949 until 1953. On 3/14/56, subject refused to be interviewed by FBI. Description set forth.

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DETAILS:**I. BACKGROUND****A. Birth Data and Citizenship**

CHARLES FISCHER, Division of Teachers Records, Board of Education, New York City, on September 22, 1955, advised SA WILLIAM J. DANIELSON, JR. that the records of the Board of Education reflect that MARTHA L. KAHN of

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250 West 24th Street, New York City, was born on Christopher Street, Brooklyn, New York, on January 29, 1902, as MARTHA LEPOWSKY.

The records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Brooklyn, New York, as reviewed by SE GERARD M. LENAHAAN on September 27, 1955, reflected that MARTHA LIPAVSKI, Certificate Number 2533, was born on January 29, 1902, in Brooklyn, New York. Her father's name was listed as JAMES B. LIPAVSKI, born in Russia, and her mother as BERTHA MARGEN, born in Russia. Their residence was listed as 184 Christopher Street, Brooklyn, New York.

B. Education

The records of the Board of Education, New York, New York, which were made available by Mr. HOWARD J. HUMAN, Records Office, Board of Education, 110 Livingston Street, New York, New York, to SA WILLIAM J. DANIELSON, JR. on June 17, 1954, reflected that the subject attended Maxwell Training School for Teachers, Brooklyn, New York, from 1919 until 1921. These records further reflected that the subject attended Hunter College, Evening Division, New York City, from 1928 until 1931. She was granted a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education at Hunter College in 1934.

C. Marital Status

SE GERARD M. LENAHAAN reported that the records of the Marriage License Bureau, Borough of Manhattan, New York City, as reviewed by him on October 26, 1954, reflected that Marriage License Number 38214 was applied for by MARTHA LEPOWSKY and ISIDORE KAHN on November 24, 1947.

He further reported that the subject gave the following information on her application:

She was born on January 25, 1902, in New York City. Her parents were JAMES LEPOWSKY, born in Russia, and BERTHA AARON, born in Russia. She was a white female, residing at 250 West 24th Street, New York City, and was a teacher by occupation. She indicated that this was her first marriage.

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ISIDORE KAHN gave the following information concerning himself on this application:

He was born on December 31, 1903, in Russia. His parents were HYMAN KAHN, born in Russia, and RITA ANNE WIGODSKY, born in Russia. He was a white male, residing at 1452 Wilkins Avenue, Bronx, New York, and was a diamond setter by occupation. He indicated that this was his first marriage.

These records further reflected that they were married in New York City on November 26, 1947. The marriage was witnessed by BERTHA LEPOWSKY and SONIA M. KAHN.

T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in March, 1948, that ISIDORE KAHN was a member of the Communist Party (CP).

D. Employment

A pretext telephone call by a Special Agent of the FBI on March 14, 1956, to Translations, 130 West 57th Street, New York City, Circle 6-1667, revealed that the subject, as of that date, was an employee of that organization.

T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on April 22, 1955, that MARTHA KAHN, as of that date, was employed as a secretary to Major OLIVE MC KEOWN, Salvation Army, 349 The Bowery, New York City, and has held that position since March 1, 1954.

T-2 asserted that prior to her obtaining the above-mentioned secretary's position, she was employed as a stenographer - typist for the Salvation Army at 120 - 130 West 14th Street, New York City, from January 26, 1954, to March, 1954.

The informant revealed that at the time the subject was employed, she indicated that she was born on January 29, 1904, and that her Social Security Number was 127-28-7384. T-2 disclosed that the subject listed as a prior employment, the New York City Board of Education, Livingston Street, New York City, from January, 1924, to 1951.

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T-2 was recontacted on October 17, 1955, and revealed that the subject, as of that date, was still employed as a secretary to Major OLIVE MC KEOWN. T-2 asserted, however, that on October 14, 1955, the subject announced the decision to resign that position pending a replacement. The informant offered the opinion at that time that in all probability, the subject would be leaving the employ of the Salvation Army in approximately two weeks.

T-2 concluded by saying that he could furnish no information concerning the reason for the subject's resignation.

A pretext telephone call by a Special Agent of the FBI on December 20, 1955, to the Salvation Army, 349 The Bowery, New York City, revealed that the subject had resigned from her position with that organization some time in November, 1955, and was, at that time, unemployed.

The records of the Board of Education, as reviewed on June 17, 1954, and referred to above, reflected that the subject became a substitute teacher in the New York City School System in October, 1921, and in February, 1922, was appointed as a regular teacher. According to these records, KAHN was continuously employed as a teacher in the New York City School System until she retired on May 1, 1951.

T-3, who was in a position to furnish reliable information concerning the subject, advised in June, 1954, that the subject has been considered a "risk" by the New York City Board of Education. The informant revealed that in the event the subject applies for reinstatement with the Board of Education, it would be necessary to conduct an investigation concerning the subject before she could be employed.

E. Residence

Observation of the subject by a Special Agent of the FBI in March, 1956, revealed that the subject resided in Apartment 5C, 250 West 24th Street, New York City, as of March 14, 1956.

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Miss HARRIET RAYNES, Secretary to HAROLD LEVINSON, Benenson Realty Company, 475 Fifth Avenue, New York City, advised SA JOE N. HATHAWAY on November 22, 1954, that the Benenson Realty Company handled the property at 250 West 24th Street. She stated that their records reflected that the subject has resided at 250 West 24th Street since at least 1942.

The records of the Board of Education, as reviewed on June 17, 1954, and referred to above, reflected that the subject resided at 250 West 24th Street, New York City, and listed the following previous addresses:

1919	255 Hart Street Brooklyn, New York
1925	943 St. Marks Place Brooklyn, New York
1930	1081 Park Place Brooklyn, New York

II. AFFILIATION WITH THE COMMUNIST MOVEMENT

A. Position and Membership in the CP

T-4, who has furnished reliable information in the past, in July, 1954, advised that MARTHA KAHN, 250 West 24th Street, New York City, was on the County Committee of the CP in New York City.

The informant was unable to furnish the date that the subject was on the County Committee, and advised that he had no additional information concerning her.

JOHN LAUTNER, former chairman of the review commission, New York State Communist Party who was expelled from the CP in January 1950, advised in May, 1954, that the subject was a member of the CP from 1946 through 1949. LAUTNER described the subject as a "hard core" CP member.

A report entitled, "Hearing Before the Committee on Un-American Activities, House of Representatives, 83rd Congress, First Session, Investigation of Communist Activities in New York City Area," reflects on pages 1195

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to 1229, the testimony of Mrs. DOROTHY K. FUNN, a self-admitted former member of the CP, which testimony was given in May, 1953. This testimony reflects that Mrs. FUNN knew MARTHA LEPOWSKY, who later married and became Mrs. KAHN, as a student at a New York State CP School in July, 1939. This school was held at Bergman's Farm, near Kingston, New York.

According to Mrs. FUNN's testimony, MARTHA LEPOWSKY was a New York City school teacher who, as of July, 1939, had probably been a CP member for at least a year, inasmuch as Mrs. FUNN said one of the requirements to attend this school was at least a year's membership in the CP.

The records of the Office of Naval Intelligence, Third Naval District, New York City, reflected in 1942, that one MARTHA LEPOWSKY, 45 Hawthorne Street, Brooklyn, New York, was associated with or sympathetic to the CP.

LAUTNER advised in May, 1954, that the subject attended "many" CP meetings during 1947, 1948 and 1949. JOHN LAUTNER also advised in May, 1954, that the subject had been a teacher in the Painters Branch of the CP in New York City in 1946-1947 and during this course of instruction, the subject taught the five features of Leninism.

LAUTNER further advised that from 1947 to 1949, the subject had been a teacher in the School of Marxist Study, at the Jefferson School of Social Science (JSSS). JOHN LAUTNER advised that this was considered as the inner school at JSSS, where only CP members were taught.

The JSSS, New York, New York, has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

B. Activities in the Teachers Union

The records of the Office of Naval Intelligence, referred to above, reflected in 1942, that one MARTHA LEPOWSKY, teacher at Lafayette High School, Brooklyn, New York, was reputed to be a member of the Executive Committee

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of the Teachers Union.

The Rapp-Coudert Committee, a New York Legislative Committee which investigated subversive influence in the New York State Public Schools from 1940 until 1942, reported in February, 1942, that the Teachers Union of New York City was, at that time, commonly accepted and adequately proven to be controlled by Communists. This committee also reported that teachers, who at that time still belonged to the Teachers Union, could no longer be deemed ignorant of the true nature of the Teachers Union, and they must be either Communists, willing tools of Communists, or wilfully blinded to the record.

C. International Workers Order (IWO)

T-6, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in January, 1953, that MARTHA L. KAHN was a member of Lodge 500, IWO, as of July, 1951.

T-7, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in February, 1952, that MARTHA LEPOWSKY was a member of Lodge 500, IWO, in December, 1946. T-7 further advised that MARTHA L. KAHN was a member of Lodge 500, IWO, in 1950, 1951 and 1952.

The IWO has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

III. INTERVIEW OF THE SUBJECT

SA SANFORD A. MOEN on March 14, 1956, attempted to interview the subject; however, after ^{MOEN} identifying himself, the subject stated, "I have nothing to say."

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IV. MISCELLANEOUS

The records of the Bureau of Special Services, New York City Police Department, as reviewed by SA AUGUST J. MICEK on August 12, 1954, reflected that MARTHA L. KAHN, 250 West 24th Street, New York City, signed an American Labor Party (ALP) Nominating Petition (page 17)

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for a CLIFFORD T. MC AVOY for President of the City Council in 1951, Third Assembly District.

The records of the Board of Elections, Borough of Manhattan, New York City, as reviewed by SA WILLIAM R. MILLER on August 16, 1954, reflected that MARTHA L. KAHN, 250 West 24th Street, New York City, registered to vote from 1948 until 1953, giving as a party preference, the ALP for each of these years.

T-8, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on September 9, 1954, that from the time of its inception in 1936, there existed within the ALP a struggle for power among three groups. These were the CP, the Socialist Party, and the Social Democrats. By the early 1940's, the CP emerged as the controlling force within the ALP in the major industrial areas in New York State. Generally, these were the areas around Albany, Buffalo, Jamestown, Rochester, Schenectady, Syracuse, Troy, the Hudson River Valley, Columbia, Dutchess, Nassau, and Westchester Counties, and New York City, with the exception of Brooklyn. In 1942, the CP was able to capture the ALP in Brooklyn. T-8 knew this situation to continue up until at least 1949. The ALP never developed into an organization of any real consequence in the nonindustrial areas of New York State.

T-9, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on May 9, 1955, that the CP today as in the past, through its members in key positions in the ALP, constitutes the force that controls it.

Confidential informants, who have furnished reliable information in the past, and who are familiar with certain phases of CP activities in the New York City area, contacted in March, 1956, advised that the subject was unknown to them and they could furnish no information concerning her.

V. DESCRIPTION

The following description of the subject was obtained from information furnished by T-2, and as a result of observation by SAS of the FBI in March, 1956; as well as the records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Brooklyn, New York:

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Name	MARTHA KAHN, was
Date of Birth	January 29, 1902
Place of Birth	Brooklyn, New York
Sex	Female
Race	White
Height	5'
Weight	100 - 110 pounds
Build	Medium
Hair	Noticably grey
Characteristics	Wears glasses
Employment	Translations, 130 West 57th Street, New York City
Former Employments	Secretary, Salvation, Army, 349 The Bowery, New York City; Teacher, New York City Board of Education, 1924 - 1951
Residence	Apartment 5C, 250 West 24th Street, New York City
Social Security Number	127-28-7384
Marital Status	Married

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T-1 [redacted]	Used to document ISIDORE KAHN.			
T-2 Mr. CHARLES H. WISEMAN, Legal Advisor, Salvation Army, 120 - 130 W. 14th St., NYC (By request)	Employment	4/22/55	SA PATRICK W. HIGGINS	100-118425-11
	Employment	10/17/55	SA DONALD F. WISEMAN	100-118425-18 p 2
T-3 HENRY GOSHBURN, Division of Teachers Records, Board of Education, NYC (by request)	Subject considered "risk" NYC Board of Education	6/16/54	SA WILLIAM J. DANIELSON, JR.	100-118425-5 p 3
T-4 [redacted]	Subject on County Committee CP, NY	7/22 & 25/54	SA VERNON D. JENSEN, ET AL	[redacted]
T-5 NOT USED JOHN LAUTNER (by request)	CP membership and activities	1/7/54	SA JOHN H. DOWNING, HARGRAVE, ROLF	(100-118425-3)
T-6 [redacted]	IWO membership	1/23/53	SA DAMON W. PITCHER	100-2936-1A612 (31)
T-7 [redacted]	IWO membership	2/26/52	SASEVERETT K. DEANE, A. E. FALLER	100-2936-1A612 (30)
T-8 BELLA V. DODD (By request)	Used to document ALP.			
T-9 [redacted]	Used to document ALP.			

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	Unidentified confidential informants referred to in the details of this report are as follows:			
	Negative	3/9/56	SA ARTHUR P. HEALY	Inst. rept.
	Negative	3/9/56	SA ARTHUR P. HEALY	Inst. rept.
NY 694-S	Negative	3/13/56	SA ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON	Inst. rept.
	Negative	3/14/56	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER	Inst. rept.
	Negative	3/13/56	SA RICHARD H. BLASSER	Inst. rept.

Careful consideration has been given to the sources concealed, and "T" symbols were utilized only in those instances where the identities of the source must be concealed.

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Information attributed to T-4 in the details of this report was furnished through [redacted] on July 22 and 25, 1954. This data was obtained from photographic copies of the records of the Los Angeles County CP. Among this material, was information relating to VIC RADIC, an SI subject of the Los Angeles Office.

Page 1865, bearing the date "6/52" of this material reflects the following information:

"V.R. and his wife have lived in this area for about two years. When he first came here, Merle had several discussions with him. Questions were raised during these discussions which resulted in our seeking more information about his previous activities and status in New York. A comrade from New York was here at the time and told us he had been expelled in New York for pro-Tito tendencies. (MARTHA KAHN, 250 West 24th St. N.Y. 11 - on Co. Com. in N. Y.) He has never been in the Party in this area."

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Information attributed to ONI in the details of this report was furnished the NYO on June 12, 1942, and June 20, 1942, and can be located in NY file 65-4309 - 13380 and NY file 100-31551-1757, page 85.

The pretext telephone call utilized to obtain the subject's present employment, was made by SA SANFORD A. MOEN to an unidentified individual at Circle 6-1667, which is listed in the Manhattan, New York City, Telephone Directory, to Translations, 130 West 57th Street, New York City. SA MOEN was able to obtain employment information without identifying himself and without associating himself with any organization.

The pretext telephone call utilized to ascertain the subject's employment status in December, 1955, was made by SA WILLIAM A. BRACKEN on December 20, 1955, to an unidentified individual at the Salvation Army, 349 The Bowery, New York City. During this telephone conversation, SA BRACKEN identified himself as a friend of the subject who desired to talk to her on a personal matter.

The physical surveillance utilized to obtain the physical description of the subject was conducted by SAs SANFORD A. MOEN and JAMES G. FITZGERALD on March 14, 1956.

The attempted interview of the subject, under the provisions of the Security Informant Program, was conducted by SA SANFORD A. MOEN on March 14, 1956, and was observed by SA JAMES G. FITZGERALD, who was located at a discreet distance from the subject.

Verification of subject's current residence was accomplished on March 14, 1956, by SA SANFORD A. MOEN by means of a physical surveillance.

The subject's SI card in the NYO was reviewed and found to be current and correct.

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ADMINISTRATIVE (CONT'D)

This case has been re-evaluated in light of the revised criteria pertaining to Security Index subjects, and KAHN'S activities still warrant her retention on the SI.

The subject's husband, ISIDORE KAHN, is the subject of a closed investigation in the NYO in the case entitled, "ISIDORE KAHN, wa; Security Matter - C," Bu file 100-395878, NY file 100-90032. He was deleted from the SI in August, 1955, under the revised criteria pertaining to SI subjects.

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NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will intensify investigation of MARTHA KAHN in accordance with Bureau letter dated January 26, 1956, in an attempt to establish contacts of the subject.

REFERENCE

Report of SA WILLIAM A. BRACKEN, dated October 24, 1955, at New York.

ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE (CONT'D)

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-413339)

DATE: 3/19/56

FROM : ✓ SAC, New York (100-118425)

SUBJECT: MARTHA KAHN, was.
SM-CCorrected Security Index cards
attached. Substitute for cards
in file and destroy old cards.
Place photograph and description on
reverse side of geographical card.It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the
above-captioned individual.☒ The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be
changed as follows: (Specify change only)

NAME _____

ALIASES _____

NATIVE BORN _____ NATURALIZED _____ ALIEN _____

COMMUNIST _____ SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY _____ INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE _____

MISCELLANEOUS (Specify) _____

TAB FOR DETCOM _____ TAB FOR COMSAB _____ RACE _____ SEX _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ PLACE OF BIRTH _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address) _____

"Translations", 130 West 57th Street, New York, New York

KEY FACILITY DATA:

GEOGRAPHICAL REFERENCE NUMBER _____ RESPONSIBILITY _____

INTERESTED AGENCIES _____

RESIDENCE ADDRESS _____

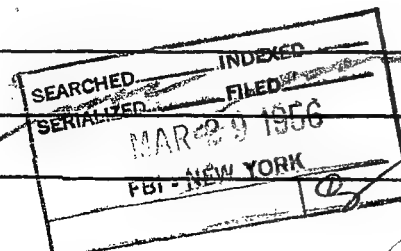
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DATE: 4/15/56

BY: [Signature]



Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York (100-118425)

FROM : WILLIAM A. BRACKEN, SA

SUBJECT: MARTHA KAHN, was
SM-C

DATE: 5/23/56

ANDREW DI GIAIMO, Officer Manager Chelsea Gardens, 250 West 24 St., NYC advised SA WILLIAM A. BRACKEN that the superintendent of that apartment, HENRY SCHAAF, was on vacation and would not return until after Memorial Day.

SCHAAF will be contacted at the earliest opportunity after his return from vacation in an effort to intensify the investigation of KAHN who resides at the above address.

5/24/56
Chief Clerk
Post 12-15-56

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

SAC, NEW YORK (100-) (20-11)
FROM: DAVID RYAN, SA #12-14

DATE: MAY 28 1956

SUBJECT: MARTHA LEPOWSKY O
SM-C

100-118425 #

250 St 24 H. nyc

DOB 11/9/02 Rsklon a nyc none qual

On 12/28/55, Mr. PAUL WINDELS, Attorney, 165 Broadway, NYC, made available to agents of the NYO transcripts of testimony and other items pertaining to hearings conducted by the New York State Legislature's "Joint Committee to Investigate Procedures and Methods of Allocating State Moneys for Public School Purposes and Subversive Activities." These hearings were conducted in 1940 and 1941.

Among items made available by WINDELS was a "Summary of Evidence Secured Against Individuals Now (1940-41) In The Educational Systems." The portion of this summary pertaining to captioned subject is attached. The complete summary may be located in the library of the NYO.

This material was secured as a result of Private Hearings, is strictly confidential, may not be disclosed in reports or disseminated outside the FBI, and is for lead purposes only.

332. MARTHA LEPOWSKY
45 Hawthorne Street, Brooklyn
Haaren H.S. - teacher

On majority slate of T.U. for A.F. of T. delegate for 1938. Col. Gottfried, G-2, furnished information that this woman allegedly teaches Communist principles in her classes; that pupils and grade adviser have complained. She formerly taught at Erasmus Hall H.S., where she was a close friend of Louis Rosenthal, head of T.U. group at that school; that she visited Russia recently.

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Jul SAC, New York (100-118425)

MARTHA KAHN, was
SM-C

NY. Rerep of SA WILLIAM A. BRACKEN dated 3/30/56, at

Numerous spot checks, photographic surveillances and contacts with local Security informants within the past 90 days has failed to identify the subject's contacts or activities within the CP.

Investigation of the subject will continue in accordance with the leads set forth in rerep. The subject's SI card in the NYO has been reviewed and found to be current and correct.

This case has been reviewed in light of the revised criteria pertaining to SI subjects and KAHN's activities still warrant her retention on the SI.

2-16-56
Chief Clerk
Post *2-11-56*
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2-Bureau (100-413339) (RM)
1-New York (100-118425)

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-413339)

8/21/56

Sub. SAC, NEW YORK (100-118425)

MARTHA KAHN, was
SM-C

Re New York letter to the Bureau dated 7/13/56.

Intensified investigation of the subject has failed to identify the subject's contacts or activities within the Communist Party.

Consideration has been given to developing a highly confidential anonymous source at the subject's residence, however, it was found that conditions were such that adequate security could not be provided at this time. This case is being placed in a closed status, pending the receipt of additional information which would warrant investigation by the Bureau.

The subject's Security Index card in the New York Office, has been reviewed and was found to be current and correct.

This case has been reviewed in light of the revised criteria pertaining to Security Index subjects and MARTHA KAHN's activities still warrant her retention on the SI.

8-22-56
Chief Clerk:

Close. Case on this 12-15-56 *Sub.*

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①-New York (100-118425)

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-118425)

FROM : SA WILLIAM A. BRACKEN

SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS

DATE: 10/8/56

MARTHA KAHN, was
SM-C

Captioned individual was the subject of an intensified investigation by the New York Office in an effort to identify the rank and file members of the Communist Party.

By letter dated 8/21/56, NYO advised the Bureau that intensified efforts failed to achieve their desired results, and the case was placed in a closed status.

This memo is being prepared so that the subject's name can be deleted from the list of individuals who are subjects of intensified investigations.

1 - New York (100-97061)

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TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-97061)

DATE: 9/11/56

FROM: T. SCOTT MILLER, JR., SUPERVISOR #12

SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS

Reference is made to the memo of SA DAVID RYAN dated 2/17/56 with copies for the files listed below.

Instant memo advised that the subjects of the first 28 listed files should be intensively investigated to enable the NYO to identify rank and file CP members.

- 1- ASAC DONALD E. MOORE
- 1- Supervisor WARREN MARCHESAULT (#7)
- 1- Supervisor T. SCOTT MILLER, JR. (#12)
- 1- Supervisor CYRIL J. RYAN (#20)
- 1- Supervisor FRANK SMITH (#19)
- 1- Supervisor J.A. CULLEN (#7-1)
- 1- Supervisor B.J. CONNELL (#7-2)
- 1- Supervisor T.M. WOOD (#7-3)
- 1- Supervisor W.L. EDDY (#7-4)
- 1- Supervisor J.T. NEAGLE (#7-5)
- 1- Supervisor R.J. RUCKEL (#7-6)
- 1- Supervisor A.R. WARE (#12-8)
- 1- Supervisor T.G. TULIN (#12-14)
- 1- Supervisor J.W. DOOLEY (#12-15)
- 1- Supervisor J.F. MARTIN (#12-16)
- 1- Supervisor W.P. DIX (#20-9)
- 1- Supervisor R.C. BURNS (#20-10)
- 1- Supervisor J.F. HIGGINS (#20-11)
- 1- Supervisor F.J. SANDIN (#20-13)
- 1- Supervisor J.J. KEARNEY (#19-A)
- 1- Supervisor R.A. MULLINS (#19-S)
- 1- NY (100-37330) (JOE LNU, aka: "RED") (12-14)
- 1- NY (100-70535) (NORVIL WELCH) (12-14)
- 1- NY (100-59634) (EDNA COLEMAN) (12-14)
- 1- NY (100-94374) (VICKIE AMTER) (12-14)
- 1- NY (100-120215) (LILLIAN IMMERMAN) (12-14)
- 1- NY (100-81261) (BEN. SIMONOWSKY) (12-15)
- 1- NY (100-88013) (SOPHIE NASCIMENTO) (12-15)
- 1- NY (100-62893) (CECELIA DEIBELE) (12-15)
- 1- NY (100-118425) (MARTHA KAHN) (12-15)
- 1- NY (100-85889) (NEL GREENFIELD) (12-15)
- 1- NY (100-103973) (ROSCOE SMITH) (12-16)
- 1- NY (100-88395) (ROSE REITER) (12-16)
- 1- NY (100-95477) (ROBERT WHILEY) (12-16)
- 1- NY (100-115272) (ESTHER VALFER) (12-16)

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1- NY (100-67170) (ANNETTE SILBERMAN)(20-11)
1- NY (100-52710) (DANNY GREENWALD)(20-10)
1- NY (100-63578) (LEAH LESTER)(20-10)
1- NY (100-83283) (HERMAN LOPATA)(20-10)
1- NY (100-84791) (IRVING WORKOFF)(20-10)
1- NY (100-85337) (HAROLD K. STEVENS)(20-10)
1- NY (100-103494) (LEON FELDERMAN)(20-10)
1- NY (100-125370) (LEAH BECKER)(20-10)
1- NY (100-126098) (LEONA EDINBURG)(20-10)
1- NY (100-64740) (SARAH BROUWER)(20-13)
1- NY (100-58578) (BESS DLUGIN)(20-13)
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1- NY (100-57644) (MERCEDES ARROYO)(12-14)
1- NY (100-41932) (MARION BACHRACH)(7-5)
1- NY (100-9369) (TED BASSETT) (19)
1- NY (100-4119) (ISIDORE BEGUN) (12-16)
1- NY (100-9984) (ALBERT BLUMBERG)(7-5)
1- NY (100-83379) (JOSEPH BUCHOLT)(12-14)
1- NY (100-34032) (LOUIS BURNHAM)(20-11)
1- NY (100-51955) (SAM COLEMAN)(7-5)
1- NY (100-56) (MICHAEL DAVIDOW)(19)
1- NY (100-79967) (BENJAMIN DVOSIN)(19)
1- NY (100-65505) (ALFRED EISENBERG)(20-13)
1- NY (100-86944) (HENRY FARASH)(19)
1- NY (100-37342) (JOSIP FARBER)(19)
1- NY (100-89816) (FRED FINE)(19)
1- NY (100-89862) (ROBERT FOGEL)(12-14)
1- NY (100-9364) (JAMES FORD)(19)
1- NY (100-22066) (BERNARD FRIEDLAND)(12-14)
1- NY (100-15347) (HARRY FAINARU)(19)
1- NY (100-24448) (LILLIAN GATES)(19)
1- NY (100-16854) (RALPH GLICK) (12-16)
1- NY (100-81240) (ALFRED GREENBERG)(12-15)
1- NY (100-7658) (LEM HARRIS)(20-13)
1- NY (100-86661) (ROBERT HANDMAN)(7-5)
1- NY (100-280) (CONSTANCE JACKSON)(19)
1- NY (100-16785) (JAMES JACKSON)(19)
1- NY (100-68478) (OSCAR JAMES)(12-16)
1- NY (100-64579) (HOWARD JIGGETTS)(20-10)
1- NY (100-102357) (LOUISE JEFFERS)(12-16)
1- NY (100-41319) (JACOB KARACHUNSKY)(19)
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1- NY (100-18673) (GEORGE WATT)(19)
1- NY (100-467) (WILLIAM LAZAR)(12-14)
1- NY (100-25880) (DONALD LESTER)(20-10)
1- NY (100-34465) (JOHN LEVINE)(19)
1- NY (100-111180) (STANLEY LEVISON)(19)
1- NY (100-52959) (CHARLES LOMAN)(19)
1- NY (100-23125) (ANTONIO LOMBARDO)(20-9)
1- NY (100-80398) (JULIAN LOWITT)(20-11)
1- NY (100-9352) (ABE MAGIL)(12-14)
1- NY (100-95176) (THOMAS MAHAN)(7-6)
1- NY (100-80770) (HORACE MARSHALL)(12-16)
1- NY (100-81671) (ROBERT MARTIN)(12-14)
1- NY (100-23163) (MAY MILLER)(19)
1- NY (100-7896) (MOSES MILLER)(19)
1- NY (100-63755) (LEON NELSON)(12-14)
1- NY (100-80737) (CARL REINSTEIN)(19)
1- NY (100-50912) (DAVID ROSENBERG)(19)
1- NY (100-23290) (NORMAN SCHRANK)(12-14)
1- NY (100-62555) (SAMUEL SILLEN)(12-14)
1- NY (100-16985) (DAVID SMITH)(20-13)
1- NY (100-9573) (NED SPARKS)(19)
1- NY (100-58063) (MAURICE STILLMAN)(20-10)
1- NY (100-15946) (JAMES TORMEY)(19)
1- NY (100-21421) (ALEX TRACHTENBERG)(7-5)
1- NY (100-50094) (ESTHER UNGER)(12-15)
1- NY (100-13558) (CARL VEDRO)(19)
1- NY (100-92919) (JESSIE WALLACH)(19)
1- NY (100-60933) (IRVING WEISSMAN)(7-5)
1- NY (100-9308) (HERB WHEELDIN)(12-16)
1- NY (100-54555) (EVELYN WIENER)(12-14)
1- NY (100-62509) (DOXEY WELKERSON)(7-2)
1- NY (100-19679) (ISADORE W(FSY)(19)
1- NY (100-54899) (LEON WOF(SY)(12-14)

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Further reference is made to the memo of SA DAVID RYAN dated 2/17/56 with copies for the files of all Key Figures. This memo stated that the Bureau instructed that any Key Figures who had not been actively investigated within the past year should immediately be the subject of an active investigation in an effort to identify the rank and file membership of the CP.

Periodically each squad advises me of the number of CP members identified as a result of the intensified investigations of the selected cases as well as the Key Figure cases.

The Bureau by letter dated 8/22/56 entitled "CP, USA - MEMBERSHIP - NEW YORK DIVISION; INTERNAL SECURITY-C" (Bufile 100-3-68) advised that the Bureau had no objection to our discontinuing intensified coverage of Key Figures and Top Functionaries where such coverage is no longer warranted. Therefore, if any of the cases on the Key Figures and Top Functionaries have not produced the desired results in identifying the rank and file members than the intensification coverage can be discontinued. However, the Bureau has advised that there should be no relaxation in the investigation of those Key Figures and Top Functionaries that continue to produce valuable data. It is not expected that the NYO will discontinue investigation where continual or intensified coverage is warranted.

With respect to the 28 cases (not Key Figures or Top Functionaries) if any of these cases have not produced the desired results then the intensified investigations may be discontinued.

Therefore, any of the Key Figure and Top Functionary cases and any of the 28 selected cases that have not produced results then a letter should be directed to the Bureau under the individual caption of each case setting forth the fact that this case was selected for intensified investigation; had not produced the desired results of identifying the rank and file CP membership and therefore, the intensified investigation is being discontinued. A copy of this letter should be designated for the case file on "Security Investigations of Individuals" (NY file 100-97061).

Bureau letter of 8/22/56 mentioned above also stated that agents involved in the above investigations should be directed to cover subjects who are in a position to furnish more productive information.

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The Bureau has advised that steps should be taken to initiate active investigations on other functionaries on a regional, county, state, section and club level to identify the rank and file CP membership.

In view of the above all supervisors and agents should be alert for any cases in which active investigation is likely to produce the identity of the rank and file CP members. As such cases are selected a letter should be directed to the Bureau under the caption of each individual case making reference to Bureau letter dated 8/22/56 mentioned above stating that the case has been selected for active investigation in an effort to identify the CP membership. A copy of each of these letters should also be designated for NY file 100-97061.

The above is highly important inasmuch as the NYO had identified as of 9/1/56 only 2,421 CP members. The intensified investigation of the proper individuals will undoubtedly identify the rank and file CP membership. It is, therefore, very important that our intensified investigative efforts be directed toward those cases which are most likely to produce the desired results. This is extremely important in view of the number of agents available to handle the task of identifying the rank and file CP membership in the NY area by 9/1/57.

VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION ON SECURITY INDEX CARD

MEMORANDUM RE: MARTHA KAHN, was.

Office File 100-118425

NOTED

SI UNIT

DATE 1-17-57

The following is the most recent place of employment, employment address, and residence address of the above subject as contained on the subject's Security Index Card:

Residence: Apt. 5C, 250 W. 24TH ST., NY, NY

Employment: TRANSLATIONS

Address: 130 W. 57th ST., NY, NY

Key Facility ☐ Yes ☒ No Detcom ☐ Yes ☒ NoSecurity Flash ☐ Yes ☒ No Photo ☐ Yes ☒ No

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It is requested that the place of employment, address of employment, residence address of the subject, as well as the accuracy of the priority tabbing, be verified and the proper notations be made below. The absence of a photograph and posting of a Security Flash should be noted and efforts made to secure a photograph and determine the existence of a criminal record.

A physical description based on personal observation of the subject appears in serial 32.

Residence: SameMethod of Verification: Pretext interview withNeighborhood Source: Neighbors - Soap PowderDate: 1/2/57Verified by SA: Roderick U. PanchEmployment: Same

Address:

Key Facility ☐ Yes ☒ No Date Checked: 12-15-56 Geographical Reference Number:Tab Detcom: ☐ Yes ☒ NoMethod of Verification: Pretext telephone call toEmployment Source: unknown individual at "Translations"Date: 12/19/56Verified by SA: Roderick U. PanchFD-122 should be submitted to Bureau: ☐ Yes ☒ No

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC N.Y.

FROM : SA F.W. Jangle (100-118425)

SUBJECT: Martha L. Kahn
SM - C

DATE: 12/19/56

Robert L. Stapleton, Chase Manhattan Bank, 143 W 51 St N.Y.C.

(T-Symbol + bank cover paragraph) made available to SA F.W. Jangle on 11/1 + 12/3/56

Cancelled checks charged against the account of TRANSLATIONS, 180 W 51 St, N.Y.C. a partnership between Leonard E. MINS (101-414) + HENRY F. MINS (100-)

Martha L. Kahn was payee on the following checks: 64 60 9/28, 10/5, 11/9, 26 and 11/2/56; 70 30, 11/9/56; 21. One check indicated from the endorsement that Martha L. Kahn might bank at 1st Nat. City Bkwy + 56th St Branch.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York

FROM : SA JOHN W. DOOLEY

SUBJECT: MARTHA KAHN, was
SM-C

DATE: 4/17/57

This case is being reopened for
submission of annual report.

4-18-57

Chief Clerk: 4-15-57
Reopen Case 4/17
Origin NY

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R. Pritchett RP

VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION ON SECURITY INDEX CARD

MEMORANDUM RE:

Office File

NOTED

SI UNIT

DATE 5-13-57
with

The following is the most recent place of employment, employment address, and residence address of the above subject as contained on the subject's Security Index Card.

Residence: Apt. 5C, 250 West 24th St., New York, N.Y.Employment: Translations, 130 West 57th St., N.Y., N.Y.

Address:

Key Facility ☐ Yes ☒ NoDetcom ☐ Yes ☒ NoSecurity Flash ☐ Yes ☒ NoPhoto ☐ Yes ☒ No

Max. #10

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It is requested that the place of employment, address of employment, residence address of the subject, as well as the accuracy of the priority tabbing, be verified and the proper notations be made below. The absence of a photograph and posting of a Security Flash should be noted and efforts made to secure a photograph and determine the existence of a criminal record.

A physical description based on personal observation of the subject appears in serial

Residence: Same

Method of Verification: Personal Observation by SA R.V. Prechtel.

Neighborhood Source:

Date: 5/8/57

Verified by SA: R.V. Prechtel

Employment: Same

Address:

Key Facility: ☐ Yes ☐ No Date Checked:

Geographical Reference Number:

Tab Detcom: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Method of Verification: Personal observation by SA Rodent Prechtel

Employment Source:

Date: 5/8/57

Verified by SA: R.V. Prechtel

FD-122 should be submitted to Bureau: ☐ Yes ☒ No

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE New York	OFFICE OF ORIGIN New York	DATE 5/14/57	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 4/26,29; 5/8,13/57
TITLE OF CASE MARTHA KAHN, was		REPORT MADE BY RODERICK V. PRECHTL, JR.	TYPED BY pt
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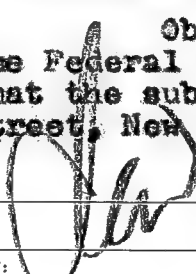


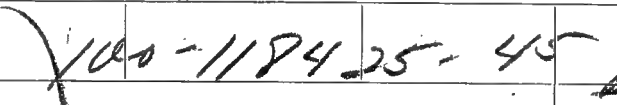

SYNOPSIS:

Subject resides in Apt. 5C, 250 W. 24th St., NYC, and is employed by Translations, 130 W. 57th St., NYC. Informants, NYC area, do not know subject.

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DETAILS:I. BACKGROUNDA. Residence

Observation of the subject by a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on May 8, 1957, revealed that the subject resided in Apartment 5 C, 250 West 24th Street, New York City.

APPROVED 	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE 	DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW	
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B. Employment

A pretext telephone call by a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on May 8, 1957, to Translations, 130 West 57th Street, New York City, revealed that the subject, as of that date, was an employee of that organization.

II. MISCELLANEOUS

Confidential informants, who have furnished reliable information in the past and who are familiar with certain phases of Communist Party Activities in the New York City area, contacted in May, 1957, advised that the subject was unknown to them and they could furnish no information concerning her.

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ADMINISTRATIVE PAGEINFORMANTS

Confidential informants, referred to in the body of this report as being unable to furnish information re the subject, are identified as follows:

[redacted] contacted 5/8/57 by SA JOHN A. HAAG.
[redacted] contacted 5/8/57 by SA JOHN A. HAAG.
[redacted] contacted 5/8/57 by SA JAMES P. HALLERON.
[redacted] contacted 5/13/57 by SA JAMES P. HALLERON.
[redacted] contacted 5/13/57 by SA JAMES P. HALLERON.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Special Agent referred to in the details as having observed the subject on 5/8/57 is SA RODERICK V. PRECHTL, JR.

The pretext telephone call to Translations on 5/8/57 to verify the subject's employment was made by SA RODERICK V. PRECHTL, JR., using pretext of mistaken identity.

The subject's SI cards are current and correct.

A suitable photograph of the subject is available in the exhibit section of subject's file.

Subject's file has been reviewed and, in accordance with current SI criteria, the subject is still eligible for retention on the SI.

REFERENCE: Summary report of SA WILLIAM A. BRACKEN, on 3/30/56, at New York.

ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

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TO : SAC, NY (100-118425)

DATE: 5/23/57

FROM : SA RODERICK V. PRECHTL JR. (12-15)

SUBJECT: MARTHA KAHN, was.
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On 5/8/57, the subject was photographed in the vicinity of her residence, 250 W. 24th St., NYC, by SAS RODERICK V. PRECHTL JR. and WILLIAM A. BRACKEN, at approximately 8:40 AM on that date.

Four negatives and thirteen photographs of the subject were placed in the 1A exhibit, and three photographs were sent to the Security Index.

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VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION ON SECURITY INDEX CARD

MEMORANDUM RE:

MARTHA KAHN

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The following is the most recent place of employment, employment address, and residence address of the above subject as contained on the subject's Security Index Card.

Residence: Apt. 5C, 250 West 24th Street, New York, New York

Employment: Translation, 130 West 57th Street, New York, New York

Address:

Key Facility

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Yes

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No

Detcom

☐

Yes

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No

Security Flash

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Yes

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No

Photo

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Yes

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No

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It is requested that the place of employment, address of employment, residence address of the subject, as well as the accuracy of the priority tabbing, be verified and the proper notations be made below. The absence of a photograph and posting of a Security Flash should be noted and efforts made to secure a photograph and determine the existence of a criminal record.

A physical description based on personal observation of the subject appears in serial

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Residence: SAME

Method of Verification:

PRETEXT telephone call to her residence asking for another Kahn party Chief Clerk

Neighborhood Source:

Date: 1/6/58

Verified by SA: CHARLES K. MCKINNON

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NOV 19 1957

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DATE 1/13/58

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Employment: SAME

Address: SAME

Key Facility:

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Yes

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No

Date Checked:

Geographical Reference Number:

Tab Detcom:

☐

Yes

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No

Method of Verification:

Employment Source: PRETEXT telephone call to above co. Talked to subject

Date: 1/6/58

Verified by SA:

CHARLES R. MCKINNON

RE what type translations company did. was REFERRED to that Co. by FRIGOD. (SUBJ. ANSWERED PHONE)

FD-122 should be submitted to Bureau:

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No

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Subject Meets SI Criteria (REVIEW again during preparation)

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Does Not Meet SI Criteria (FOR ANNUL)

Agents Initials

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Date

1/6/57

Chief Clerk:

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MARTHA KAHN

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A review of this file reflects that a last report was submitted 5/14/57.

It is recommended that this case be reopened for the preparation of an annual report.

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Chief Clerk:

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TO: CHIEF CLERK

Date

4-14-58

Subject

MARTHA KAHN

Aliases

Mrs. ISIDORE KAHN, Martha Lepowsky, Martha Lipavski

Address

250 W. 24th St, NYC

Birth Date

1/29/02

Birthplace

Brooklyn

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office NEW YORK	Office of Origin NEW YORK	Date 5/19/58	Investigative Period 4/14, 15, 16, 18, 21, 22, 25; 5/5/58
TITLE OF CASE MARTHA KAHN, was		Report made by CHARLES R. MC KINNON	Typed By: paw
		CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C	

Synopsis:

Subject resides in Apartment 5C, 250 West 24th St., NYC, and is employed by Translations, 130 West 57th St., NYC. Informants, NYC area, have no knowledge regarding KAHN.

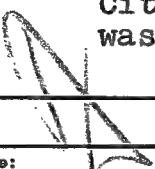
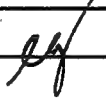


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DETAILS:

I. - BACKGROUND

Residence

By use of a suitable pretext a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) made a telephone call to telephone number CH 3-3967 which is listed to ISIDORE KAHN, 250 West 24th Street, New York City. An unknown person advised that Mrs. MARTHA KAHN was presently not at home. This call was made on 5/5/58.

Approved 	Special Agent in Charge 	Do not write in spaces below	
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Employment

A pretext telephone call by a Special Agent of the FBI on May 5, 1958, to Translations, 130 West 57th Street, New York City, revealed that the subject is an employee of that organization.

II. MISCELLANEOUS

Informants, who are familiar with certain phases of Communist Party activity in the New York City area, were contacted during the course of this investigation, and advised that they had no knowledge of the subject nor did they recognize her photograph.

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New York, New York
May 19, 1956

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Re: Martha Kahn, with aliases
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Reference is made to the New York report of
Special Agent Charles R. Mc Kinnon, dated and captioned
as above.

The informants in referenced report, who
had no knowledge of the subject nor could they recognize
her photograph, have furnished reliable information in
the past.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-413339)

5/19/58

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MARTHA KAHN, was
SM - C


Enclosed herewith are four copies of referenced report and letterhead memorandum of SA CHARLES R. MC KINNON, at NY, dated and captioned as above.

REFERENCE

NY report of SA RODERICK V. PRECHTL, Jr., dated 5/14/57.

INFORMANTS

The following informants were contacted during the course of this investigation with negative results:

<u>Informant</u>	<u>Date Contacted</u>	<u>Contacted By</u>
	4/15/58	SA JAMES P. HALLERON
	4/16/58	SA JAMES P. HALLERON
	4/16/58	SA JAMES P. HALLERON
	4/16/58	SA ROBERT J. DOLAN
	4/18/58	SA ROBERT J. DOLAN
	4/21/58	SA CHARLES W. CAVANAUGH
	4/18/58	SA CHARLES W. CAVANAUGH
	4/22/58	SA JOHN A. HAAG

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<u>Informant</u>	<u>Date Contacted</u>	<u>Contacted By</u>
[REDACTED]	4/22/58	SA JOHN A. HAAG
NY 694-S	4/22/58	SA ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON
[REDACTED]	4/21/58	SA DAVID RYAN
	4/25/58	SA DAVID RYAN

ADMINISTRATIVE

Pretext to determine subject's residence was made by SA CHARLES R. MC KINNON by using a television survey.

Pretext to determine subject's employment was made by SA CHARLES R. MC KINNON by asking for the subject for personal reasons.

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1. ☒ Subject's name is included in the Security Index.
2. ☒ The data appearing on the Security Index card are current.
3. ☐ Changes on the Security Index card are necessary and Form FD-122 has been submitted to the Bureau.
4. ☒ A suitable photograph ☐ is ☐ is not available.
5. ☐ Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed and T symbols were utilized only in those instances where the identities of the sources must be concealed.
6. ☐ Subject is employed in a key facility and _____ is charged with security responsibility. Interested agencies are _____.
7. ☐ This report is classified _____ because (state reason)

8. ☒ Subject was not reinterviewed because (state reason)

on 3/14/56, subject was contacted and refused to be interviewed. Because of her lengthy affiliation with subversive organizations, It is not felt that an interview would be productive at this time.

9. ☐ This case no longer meets the Security Index criteria and a letter has been directed to the Bureau recommending cancellation of the Security Index card.
10. ☒ This case has been re-evaluated in the light of the Security Index criteria and it continues to fall within such criteria because (state reason)

of the subject's lengthy activities in the subversive movement. Subject reportedly was on the County Committee of the CP in NYC, date unknown; was a member of the CP from 1946 through 1949, and was described as a "hard core" CP member. Subject was reported in 1939 as a CP member for at least a year, and was allegedly in attendance at "many" CP meetings during 1947 - 1949. The subject reportedly from

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1947 to 1949 was a teacher at the JSSS, and in 1942 was reputed to be a member of the Executive Committee of the Teachers Union.

Because of the subject's lengthy activities in the subversive movement and her apparent strong feelings, it is felt that the activities of the subject continue to depict her as an individual who can be expected to commit acts inimical to the national defense in the event of an emergency.

VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION ON SECURITY INDEX CARD

MEMORANDUM RE: MARTHA KAHN

Office File 100-118425

The following is the most recent ~~place of~~ employment, employment address, and residence address of the above subject as contained on the subject's Security Index Card.

Residence: Apt. 5C, 250 West 24th St., NY, NY

Employment: Translations, 130 W. 57th St., NY, NY

Address:

Key Facility ☐ Yes ☒ No
 Security Flash ☐ Yes ☒ No

Detcom ☐ Yes ☒ No
 Photo ☒ Yes ☐ No

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It is requested that the place of employment, address of employment, residence address of the subject, as well as the accuracy of the priority tabbing, be verified and the proper notations be made below. The absence of a photograph and posting of a Security Flash should be noted and efforts made to secure a photograph and determine the existence of a criminal record.

A physical description based on personal observation of the subject appears in serial

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Residence: SAME (TELEPHONE)
 Method of Verification: PRETEXT TELEVISION SURVEY

Neighborhood Source:

Date: 5/5/58

Verified by SA: CHARLES R. McKINNON

Chief Clerk: JUN 6 1958
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Employment: SAME

Address:

Key Facility: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Date Checked:

Geographical Reference Number:

Tab Detcom: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Method of Verification: PRETEXT PERSONAL INQUIRY (TELEPHONE) TO EMPLOYMENT

Employment Source:

Date: 5/5/58

Verified by SA: CHARLES R. McKINNON

FD-122 should be submitted to Bureau:

☐ Yes ☒ No

File Reviewed 6/12/58

☒ Subject Meets SI Criteria
☐ Does Not Meet SI Criteria

Agents Initials JBC

Date 6/12/58

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TO : SAC, New York (100-118425) *12-14*

DATE: June 9, 1958

FROM : Director, FBI (100-413339)

SUBJECT: MARTHA KAHN
SECURITY MATTER - C*SI card cancelled**6/11/58**mm*

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Reurlet and your report both dated 5-19-58.

The Bureau does not concur with your recommendation that the subject's name be retained in the Security Index (SI). The SI cards maintained on the subject at the Bureau have been canceled and you should do likewise with the subject's SI cards maintained in your office.

It is noted that the investigation has failed to establish evidence of Communist Party (CP) membership within the past 5 years or evidence of substantial participation in front organizations within the past 3 years. In the absence of above, the Bureau does not concur with you that subject's past CP activities were of such a nature as to depict her as an individual who could be expected to commit acts inimical to the United States in the event of an emergency. It is also noted that the subject's attitude when interviewed in 1956 was completely uncooperative. However, she did not make any positive statement that indicates a continued adherence to a revolutionary organization.

You should, however, include the name of the subject in the revised communist index of your office and should remain alert for information which would justify additional investigation.

*Pls Bureau
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SAC, New York (100-118425)

June 9, 1958

Director, FBI (100-413339)

MARTHA KAHN
SECURITY MATTER - C

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SA WILLIAM M. MATTINGLY (#33)

LEONARD EMIL MINS
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Reliability

Who has furnished reliable
information in the past

Dates of Activity 2/5,9/59

Dates Received 2/5,9/59

On 2/5/59, MARTHA KAHN at Translations, 130 W. 57th St., NYC, inquired of an unknown woman at Dr. HARRY COHEN's office whether or not the doctor had a gall bladder operation. The unknown woman stated that the doctor had the operation, was all right, and would be out in a week to ten days. KAHN advised the woman to tell Dr. KOTEEN that she had called.

On 2/9/59, MARTHA KAHN called an unknown man and inquired as to how the father was. KAHN remarked that it was the gall bladder and the man replied yes. He stated that he will be in the hospital until next week. KAHN stated that she planned to go to see him if her cold was better.

- 1 - New York (100-107774) (HARRY COHEN) (#324) 423
 1 - New York (100-118425) (MARTHA KAHN) (#324) 424
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SA WILLIAM M. MATTINGLY (#33)

LEONARD EMIL MINS
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Source

Reliability

Who has furnished reliable
information in the past

Date of Activity 2/4/59

Date Received 2/4/59

The informant advised that DAVE FLAX (ph) called MARTHA KAHN and inquired if there was to be a meeting tonight. MARTHA stated she could not come because of a cold and DOROTHY would not be there because she is working on an article. MARTHA stated she would get IRV's number from his office when she leaves work and call him. DAVE said he would call IRV from his home at 5:30 and tell him there would be no meeting. They spoke about sending cards about next week's meeting. MARTHA stated that most of them wanted to have it on Tuesdays. Both then agreed to discuss this tomorrow.

1 - NY (100-114037) (DAVE FLAX) (#42)
1 - NY (100-118425) (MARTHA KAHN) (#423)
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SA WILLIAM M. MATTINGLY (#33)

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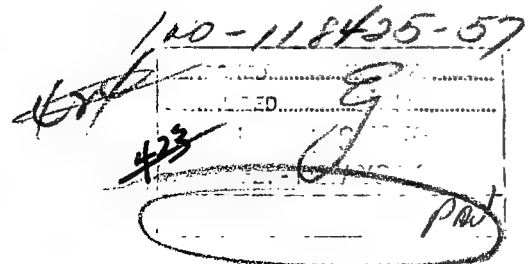
Who has furnished reliable
information in the past

Date of Activity 1/16/59

Date Received 1/16/59

On 1/16/59, MARTHA KAHN at Translations, 130 West 57th Street, called BERNIE KOTEN (ph) and inquired if he knows of anyone who can do Estonian or Latvian. BERNIE said he would have to check his files. MARTHA advised she had found an Estonian woman at 34th Street that has a restaurant. BERNIE agreed it was "The Four Seasons" restaurant. MARTHA asked if she could use her and BERNIE replied, "Oh, no," but recommended the restaurant. KAHN contacted KOTEN at LEXington 2-5472.

- 1 - NY (100-20241) (ANTHONY BIMBA) (#411)
- ① - NY (100-118425) (MARTHA KAHN) (#423)
- 1 - NY (100-82433) (BERNIE KOTEN) (#412)
- 1 - NY (100-45934) (DAVID Z. KRINKIN) (#424)
- 1 - NY (100-110577) (LIBRARY FOR INTER-CULTURAL STUDIES) (412)
- 1 - NY (100-55686) (ILSE MERKSON) (#423)
- 1 - NY (101-414)

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The current Manhattan Telephone Directory reflects that Lexington 2-5472 is listed to Library for Inter-Cultural Studies, Inc. at 162 East 38th Street.

Later on 1/16/59, MARTHA KAHN requested BERNIE KOTEN to locate a periodical or pamphlet entitled, "Izvest-Vostochn-Filial-Acad-Nauk-USSR" (ph), 1957 No. 10 (information on Eastern academic scientific education?). BERNIE subsequently advised her that there was no No. 10, but a book volume including seven through eleven.

LEONARD MINS then spoke to BERNIE at which time BERNIE advised him that he teaches at NYU each Saturday and also during the week. BERNIE explained that he is moving from his present quarters (bookstore?) because the building is condemned. BERNIE stated that he has not found new quarters as yet and has to store his books at a warehouse. He advised the movers are due in on Monday and hopes to have his new location settled. Spring and Lafayette is probably his new site. The informant learned that BERNIE has been teaching Russian and Mythology for about a year. LEONARD stated he would like to see BERNIE on Monday as that is his day off.

BERNIE inquired whether LEONARD had gotten his records from RUTH BERSTOCK (ph). LEONARD inquired what she was doing there (overseas?) and was informed by BERNIE that she is working on one of the radio committees and has requested a permit to go and visit her ailing mother in Chicago. The informant learned that RUTH has a young baby.

LEONARD and BERNIE then discussed a woman named ROSE and BERNIE informed LEONARD ^{she} was "Andy's first wife." Her name was VOINOW and it is KOSTUIK (ph) now.

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LEONARD stated he would like to hear BERNIE talk of his trip sometime from which BERNIE returned in October. BERNIE and LEONARD will be "in touch."

BERNIE then spoke to MARTHA (KAHN) and advised that all he could suggest was that she call (ANTHONY) BIMBA (ph). He informed MARTHA that BIMBA was in charge at the "Lithuanian Daily" and that BIMBA is in touch with others and so is KRINKIN (ph), the editor of "Russky Golos." The informant learned that the translation concerned "letters on planes and so forth." She thought that calling KRINKIN at "Russky Golos" was the best thing. BERNIE explained that KRINKIN "is in touch and they have one person, who is an Estonian, and does fares, is reliable on planes and stuff."

MARTHA KAHN subsequently called KRINKIN and advised him that she had been recommended by BERNARD KOTEN and that she was with a translation firm that had some material that had to be translated from Estonian and Latvian and that KOTEN thought they had a person who knew Estonian on KRINKIN's staff. KRINKIN advised MARTHA that no one on his staff knew Estonian to the best of his knowledge.

MARTHA KAHN subsequently called (ANTHONY) BIMBA (ph) and advised him they needed an Estonian translator as they have many letters that a client wants translated. BIMBA recommended his wife, ILSE MERKSIN (ph), at LO 4-6000, Ext. 526.

The current Manhattan Telephone Directory reflects that LO 4-6000 is subscribed to by COHN HALL at 1407 Broadway.

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SA WILLIAM M. MATTINGLY (#33)

LEONARD EMIL MINS
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Records of the NEW YORK TELEPHONE COMPANY, furnished by EDWARD L. BRAUNE to SA PAUL F. ROWLANDS on 1/22/59, reflected the following long distance calls charged to Circle 6-1667, the number listed to TRANSLATIONS, 130 West 57th Street, NYC, which is a joint partnership of the subject and his brother, HENRY F. MINS. The following numbers were called:

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Putnam Valley, NY
LAK 8-6409 to Mrs.
KAHN; call made from
STI 4-6490 by (LIZA)
GOTTLIEB and billed
to Circle 6-1667 on 8/3/58

8/3/58
9/16/58
12/1/58

Woodstock, NY
ORI 9-9014 to
LEONARD MINS;
call made from
STI 4-6490 by
Miss LIZA GOTTLIEB
and billed to Circle
6-1667 on 8/3/58

11/26/58

Croton, NY
CRO 1-8970

6/27/58
12/16, 18/58

Peekskill, NY
PEE 7-0845

1 - NY 100-79729	(RAPHAEL M. FINGER)	(414)
1 - NY 100-125023	(AARON KIMCHE)	(414)
1 - NY 100-90032	(ISADORE KAHN)	(425)
① - NY 100-118425	(MARTHA KAHN)	(425)
1 - NY 100-94653	(VICTOR PERLO)	(33)
1 - NY 100-43035	(ANNA H. WARREN)	(414)
1 - NY 101-414	(LEONARD EMIL MINS)	(33)

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A telegram to Mexico
signed BARBARA (200);
no further informa-
tion concerning this.
(This is believed to
refer to BARBARA
SCHULTZE, an employee
of TRANSLATIONS.)

10/30/58
11/19/58
12/9/58

Croton, NY
CRO 1-3339

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Woodstock, NY
ORI 9-6987

On 2/6/59, Mr. BRAUNE furnished SA ROWLANDS
the identities of the subscribers to the above numbers
which are as follows:

LAK 8-6409

ISADORE KAHN
Maple Row
Crompond, NY

STI 4-6490

VITALY M. GOTTLIEB
4511 Skillman Avenue
Long Island City

ORI 9-9014

LEONARD E. MINS
Plochman Lane
Woodstock, NY

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CRO 1-8970

VICTOR PERLO
Park Trail
Croton-on-the-Hudson,
NY

PEE 7-0845

A Peekskill, NY,
number listed to
A. WARREN, a cabinet
maker on Dutch Street
in Montrose, NY. (A.
WARREN is believed
to be the husband of
ANNA H. WARREN.)

CRO 1-3339

RAPHAEL M. SINGER
Glengary Road
Croton, NY

ORI 9-6987

VERA KIMCHE
Woodstock, NY.
(VERA KIMCHE is
the wife of
AARON KIMCHE.)

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LEONARD EMIL MINS
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MARTHA KAHN in conversation with THELMA (ARNOLD ?
at Wolf, Popper, Ross, Wolf, and Jones ?) advised THELMA
that the Estonian letters she had sent to be translated
will cost \$4.00 per hundred words, a total bill of \$250.00.
THELMA stated they could not pay that much and requested
they be returned. THELMA recommended that CHARLES DERBA
(CHARLES DIRBA), a Latvian, can translate Latvian for
them and stated he is an elderly man who lives in the
East 80's.

MARTIN POPPER (#51)

1 - NY (100-80486) (WOLF, POPPER, ROSS, WOLF, AND JONES)
1 - NY (100-118425) (MARTHA KAHN) (#423)
1 - NY (100-26776) (CHARLES DIRBA) (#425)
1 - NY (101-414)

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SA WILLIAM M. MATTINGLY (#33)

LEONARD EMIL MINS
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information in the past

Date of Activity

1/20/59

Date Received

1/20/59

MARTHA KAHN from Translations, called Miss ILSA MAXON (ph) (ILSE MERKSON) at LO 4-6000, extension 526 (Listed to Cohn Hall, 1407 Broadway) and said that she spoke to MAXON's husband last week concerning the possibility of Miss MAXON doing some Estonian translation. KAHN said they have quantity of it when and if their client decides to have this particular work done. Miss MAXON gave her home address as 9523 114th St., Richmond Hill, New York, and thought she would be able to handle it. Subsequently MARTHA KAHN called Miss DEE, Miss (SYLVIA) DEE at Wolf, Popper, Ross, Wolf and Jones and inquired for Miss (THELMA) ARNOLD, who was not then available. MARTHA told Miss DEE of getting a lot of Estonian from them (Wolf, Popper, Ross, Wolf and Jones) and they were to check to see if it was important to have it done. MARTHA stated that they (Wolf, Popper, Ross, Wolf and Jones) decided to have it done, that she is a good Estonian translator. It was mentioned that these were in holograph (handwriting).

① - New York (100-118425) (MARTHA KAHN) (#426)
1 - New York (100-55686) (ILSE MERKSON) (#423)
1 - New York (~~100-80486~~) (~~Wolf, Popper, Ross, Wolf and Jones~~)
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MARTIN POPPER
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SA WILLIAM M. MATTINGLY (#33)

LEONARD EMIL MINS
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On 1/26/59, (MARTHA KAHN?) at Translations, 130 W. 57th St., NYC, called the Public Library, Oriental Room, in an effort to locate an article on the "Faculty of Science, University of Istanbul, C-19 #3." She was advised the library does not have it and they suggested the Library of Congress, Princeton University, or an Turkish information office.

Mrs. KAHN subsequently called the Turkish Information Office and the Commercial Attache's Office where she was advised to write to the University of Istanbul.

The informant learned this concerned a magazine article of July, 1954, concerning the Faculty of Science, University of Istanbul.

- 1 - New York (100-118425) (MARTHA KAHN) (#423)
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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-118425)

DATE: 3/26/59

FROM : SA WILLIAM M. MATTINGLY (#33)

FOIA(b) (7) - (D)

SUBJECT: MARTHA L. KAHN
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Date of Activity

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information in the past
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On 1/20/59 the informant advised that MARTHA L. KAHN called a Miss GOLDEN at CH 2-6364 and verified an appointment with the doctor for a "GI" series for Friday, 1/23/59, at 9:15 a.m.

The current Manhattan Directory reflects that CH 2-6364 is subscribed to by DAVID DROUTMAN, MD, 95 Christopher Street, NYC.

On 2/20/59 the informant reported a conversation between BARBARA SCHULTZ (?) to MARTHA KAHN. MARTHA stated that she had received BARBARA's note and in response to a question by BARBARA stated that business was a little slow now, the same as last year, but that they expected things to pick up if the new things come. BARBARA advised she would drop by at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, 2/24/59. BARBARA asked if LILLIAN (RUTENBERG) was still coming in and at this point LEONARD MINS interrupted and the remainder of the conversation was in German. LEONARD told BARBARA he just put out a fire in his wastebasket caused by his cigarette. LEONARD and BARBARA then talked about a meeting tomorrow at RUT's (PH) for the farewell party. LEONARD stated he may have a little bottle of wine as RUT will not want to carry things with him. He said he received from East Germany via West Germany the selected letters of FREDERICK WOLF (PH) which are simply wonderful. WOLF had written to a number of people between 1921 and 1953 (the year of his death), about art, music, the theatre, artists, etc. BARBARA stated she would start working in the clinic in Brooklyn on Saturday. The informant learned

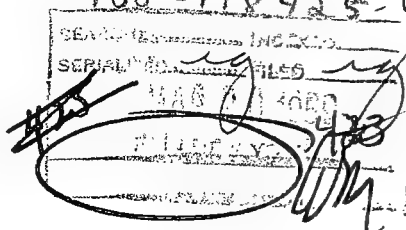
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1-NY100-115497 (ANNE MINS)(#33)

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that she applied there a year and a half ago and her salary will be \$10 per week (?). BARBARA plans to see LEONARD and ANNE, his wife, on Tuesday about 3:45 p.m. (2/24/59), however, on 2/24/59 the informant learned that BARBARA could not make it but planned to be there on next Tuesday (3/3/59).

On 2/24/59 the informant learned that MARTHA L. KAHN has a country place the address of which is Maple Row, Crompound, NY. The informant stated that KAHN ordered some chairs from B. Altman to be sent there.

On 3/3/59 the informant stated that KAHN invited ANNE MINS for dinner on Saturday night, 3/14/59, ~~as~~ MARTHA was having some company. The informant stated that ANNE was unable to attend as "they" were going to attend a concert Friday night (3/13/59) and would leave early for Woodstock on Saturday morning, 3/14/59. (The German conversation was translated by Mrs. MIRCA EVANS.)

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LEONARD E. MINS
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As noted below

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On 3/9/59 LEONARD spoke to MARSHA (LNU) at Consultants Bureau and inquired about Job "COT 1264" which was apparently a book dealing with engines and chemicals. MINS also wanted to know who Job "COT 1693" belonged to. MARSHA, after checking, stated that the latter was one from Los Alamos, and since LEONARD did not have a copy, MARSHA will make him one. LEONARD also wanted volume one of Optical Spectroscopy (very PH), Number 3 of 1953 (?) as there is an order for it from Los Alamos. LEONARD stated he would like to cannibalize it. MARSHA then inquired as to what pages he wanted and then they discussed prices on the "stats". LEONARD inquired as to whether MARSHA has a list of NASA (PH) an interoffice memorandum of her own dated 2/12/59 which has a list of jobs in the works which he wants to go over with her when he sees her. He wants to check it against the jobs he has to see if there are any discrepancies. MARSHA pointed out he does not have every job on that list. At this point, LEONARD refers to the NASA Human Stat (PH) which has top priority and asked if that "stat" must be returned. He added that the letter said it had to be back by 3/3/59 to Naval Research.

MARSHA stated that there's was a copy of the book that "they" sent us from which we had those "stats" made. LEONARD stated that in other words these "stats" are your's now and we do not have to send them back. MARSHA replied no, but we are sending them back because we are billing them for them. LEONARD then referred again to the letter and MARSHA stated she will charge them what they cost her since it was such a large job. The informant learned that MARSHA will pay LEONARD the Translation fee

1-NY 100-90699 (EARL COLEMAN) (#25)
1-NY 105-16106 (CONSULTANTS BUREAU) (#34)
1-NY 100-115497 (AMNE MINS) (#33)
1-NY 100-110425 (MARSHA KAHN) #25
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involved and learned that LEONARD wants Pages 334 - 337, Volume I, Number 3, 1956, author who is GRONOV (spelled) in Optics spectroscopy. Then MARSHA and LEONARD discussed rate cards. MARSHA tells LEONARD she wants 600 and numbering of pages and jobs which she farms out. They discussed sending MARSHA microfilm of all of LEONARD's "club members". LEONARD then inquired about MARSHA's procedure in sending material to Haloids (Haloids Xerox). LEONARD concluded the conversation stating he would be over tomorrow to see what else there is to be picked up.

On 3/10/59 the informant learned that "any number of new jobs" had come in today and that it looks all right. The informant stated that LEONARD MINS spoke to ANNE MINS and said "I am four ways dead". LEONARD related that he had brought back "several hundred" loads of "stuff" in a taxi and asserted that AL (MAHONEY, porter at 130 W. 57th St.) had to get a truck out of the basement to assist him in getting it into the office. LEONARD told ANNE that the "stuff" consisted of reference books and a lot of orders from "the most impossible places", including the Brooklyn Navy Yard and Standard Oil. LEONARD mentioned that "while I was there people called and they said they (Consultants Bureau (?); Consultants Custom Translations (?)) are not doing this any more and should get in touch with us". LEONARD assured ANNE that "they" were sending out the publicity as promised and wanted cards from Translations, ~~Inc.~~ to include therein. The informant stated that ANNE and LEONARD had some kind of an appointment on that evening at 8 p.m. ANNE revealed she had gone to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles today and had visited a Dr. SCHAEFER (PH) and had waited a long time in both places. ANNE said she had met "our Halo" in the doctor's office. ANNE said that Halo is feeling "all in" and had been sent to Dr. BREMER.

On 3/11/59 MARTHA KARN spoke to MARSHA (LNU) at Consultants Custom Translations, Inc., 227 W. 17th St. and inquired how many letters MARSHA was sending out to her clients about the transition. MARTHA said they intend to send out letters too so they want to know how

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many. She explained, we are retelling them that they have been informed by you that we are taking it over and so forth. She explained further that we are saying it has been transferred to us, that we have had business relations for a long time, that we are going to use your translators, the rates are unchanged, and we are enclosing a rate card. Informant learned that Translations would furnish MARSHA with cards to send out in her letters. MARSHA says she is sending out two letters, one to "club members" and the second to regular members. MARSHA estimates 800 letters. MARTHA says they will order 1,000.

On 3/12/59 the informant learned from LEONARD WIMS that MARSHA is sending more orders in, loads of them, including an order from Lisbon (PR).

Later, on 3/12/59, MARTHA KAHN spoke to MARSHA at CCT (Consultants Custom Translations) inquiring about certain project jobs transferred from CCT to Translations: PN6 which is for South West Research Institute, and PN24 which is assigned to Jefferson Chemical Company. They discussed the procedure and rates.

On the same date MARTHA spoke to an individual whose identity the informant knew only as Mrs. KAHN and advised the latter that the proofs had been checked and are ready for printing. Mrs. KAHN advised MARTHA KAHN to send them over by mail and they will be ready by Monday. MARTHA stated that 1,000 of the commercial and 2,000 of the technical.

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LEONARD EMIL MINS
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On 3/5/59, LEONARD MINS called Dr. WEINSTEIN's office and advised a woman named BILLY that she probably knows better than he does, but another one of those things (personal notes of MINS') bounced. This one was for \$200.00 on Colonial (Factors ?) and is marked "account closed." He explained it was not insufficient funds or uncollected deposits, but account closed. MINS stated that under the circumstances he is faced with a very serious decision; that he is not an investor in "Permadent" (PH) (Products Corp.); that he cannot afford to be a silent partner in this arrangement.

MINS then requested a \$200.00 check, which BILLY was unable to give him, since she was alone. MINS inquired as to when the note was dated and BILLY said that she does not have the key to the file. MINS told BILLY to advise Dr. WEINSTEIN: he is going to withdraw all his money from the account, leaving enough money to pay current electric light bills and ^{the} like and, unless this thing is paid today, they will have the unpleasant experience of having all his (MINS) notes bounce. It will cost him \$2.00 a note, but it will be less expensive than having the account drained for \$200.00, \$300.00 or \$400.00 at a time. MINS said he had to bowl out of this thing completely, that it may be a very serious situation on 53rd St. or Broadway, but he just simply cannot be involved in it.

- 1-New York (100-90032) (ISIDORE KAHN) (#425)
- 1-New York (100-118425) (MARTHA L. KAHN) (#425)
- 1-New York (100-109627) (MAX POSNER) (#414)
- 1-New York (100-94075) (A. B. WEINSTEIN) (#412)
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On 3/9/59, a Mr. HUBBARD (PH) of the Chase Bank called MINS' office and stated something had to be handled before 3:00 p.m. regarding MINS' account and it was unfortunate that neither Mr. nor Mrs. MINS was around.

The informant also learned on 3/9/59, that MINS will dispute a note offered for a collection at his bank. The informant learned that his account was \$10.00 short, to pay a \$200.00 note to WEINSTEIN and MINS is letting the note go back.

On 3/13/59, MINS advised an individual at WEINSTEIN's office that he had just avoided service in an action on a note. The note is with Standard Factors (Stratford Factors). He added that LENORE (PH) told him to notify his bank, not to pay on the notes and not to present any of the checks. This person advised MINS if he is served to send it over to us. The informant learned that the conversation concerned a series of \$200.00 notes due once a month with an amount outstanding totaling \$1,000.00. MINS advised that he had several series, "Three a month I think."

On 3/18/59, the informant advised that MINS placed a call to MAX POSNER's office at Murray Hill 2-6363, which was returned in about 15 minutes by POSNER. MINS advised POSNER that he would remember "this dentist of ours", ABE WEINSTEIN. The informant advised that POSNER does know WEINSTEIN.

LEONARD explained to POSNER that WEINSTEIN went into a fantastic expansion program for his "industrial process" (Permament Products). MINS stated that WEINSTEIN had "everybody he knows" sign notes with predated checks, and now his co-factors (Stratford Factors and Colonial Factors) are catching up with him. LEONARD stated that "we" have just been told by friends of ours, who are also

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involved in this thing we had better protect our house and also protect our investment in this firm by incorporating and the like.

According to the informant, POSNER had also been asked to take part in the financing, but turned it down and that MINS had done it as a matter of friendship, as did a lot of "his" friends, thinking everything would be jake (PH). POSNER and MINS made an appointment for a meeting in POSNER's office (?) in $\frac{1}{2}$ an hour, at which time LEONARD would tell POSNER everything he knew.

Later on 3/18/59, MARTHA (KAHN) called IZ (PH) (KAHN) at Circle 6-2335 (i.e. International Jewelry Workers Union, Local #1, 133 West 44th St., NYC) and advised him that LEONARD had just received a letter saying "he" (WEINSTEIN ?) will do everything he can and everything will be settled, etc. MARTHA said that he (LEONARD) is on his way now to see MAX POSNER and we will see what he finds out.

Later on 3/18/59, the informant learned that LEONARD MINS attempted to contact a person named JOE concerning a house and mortgage and incorporating "the business." He wants JOE to do some work for him in Kingston.

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SA WILLIAM M. MATTINGLY #33

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On 3/18/59, MARTHA (KAHN) told MARSHA (at CONSULTANTS CUSTOM TRANSLATIONS, affiliate of CONSULTANTS BUREAU?) that they have a NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration?) job of hers number 1624. MARSHA stated that he (LEONARD MINS?) had called her and asked how many chapters had been done. MARSHA said that according to this none have been done so far. MARTHA inquired as to the authors and MARSHA commented it is in Russian. MARTHA ascertained that the whole thing had to be done.

On 3/19/59, MARSHA returned MARTHA KAHN's call and inquired about order number 1695 which is for IBM MILITARY PRODUCTS DIVISION and that it should be rushed. MARTHA advised MARSHA that TRANSLATIONS has about 200 to 250 customers. The informant stated that MARTHA KAHN ordered "stats" from MARSHA where MARSHA indicated she has them and that MARSHA told MARTHA she had checked every order and indicated that she has the "stats". MARTHA inquired about the order from MALLINCKRODT (ph) and mentioned one from AMERICAN VISCOSE. MARTHA also mentioned orders from NASA and some she sent to NYPL, (?) also an order from CONTINENTAL OIL and FREEPORT NICKEL. MARSHA advised MARTHA there is another book and three more articles from NASA to do.

On 3/20/59, MARSHA called MARTHA inquiring about the corrected pages for "Joursif Kim" (very ph). The informant learned that it was for Los Alamos (Ph). KAHN checked and advised MARSHA it is volume 32, number 2, etc., pages 454 to 459.

- 1 - NY 100-90699 (EARL COLEMAN) (425)
- 1 - New York (105-16106) (CONSULTANTS BUREAU) (34)
- 1 - New York (100-118425) (MARTHA L. KAHN) (425)
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information in the past

On 3/20/59, Mrs. (PEGGY) HOWLAND of COMBUSTION ENGINEERING, INC., Nuclear Division, Windsor, Conn., inquired of MARTHA KAHN at TRANSLATIONS, 130 West 57th Street, NYC, if TRANSLATIONS does Japanese technical translations. According to the informant, KAHN advised Mrs. HOWLAND that TRANSLATIONS specializes in Japanese technical translations. Mrs. HOWLAND stated the information in which her company is interested is in a magazine called "Metals" but that she does not know how to obtain the article. KAHN suggested that Mrs. HOWLAND send in the information on the letterhead of her firm and she will try to locate it. The informant advised that Mrs. HOWLAND, who is the technical librarian at COMBUSTION ENGINEERING, INC., inquired if KAHN had ever heard of BRUCHER TRANSLATIONS in Albadana (ph), California, explaining that she wanted to use a translation service nearby to expedite this matter.

New Haven is requested to make inquiry with the Security Division at COMBUSTION ENGINEERING, INC., in Windsor, and ascertain if any business has been done with TRANSLATIONS in the past and if so whether any classified documents have been involved. New Haven is also requested to ascertain whether the information requested by Mrs. HOWLAND would indicate the nature of any research project being undertaken by COMBUSTION ENGINEERING.

- 2 - Bureau (100-128634) (RM)
- 2 - New Haven (101-39) (RM)
- ① - New York (100-118425) (MARTHA L. KAHN) (425)
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SA WILLIAM M. MATTINGLY #33

LEONARD EMIL MINS
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On 3/18/59, the informant learned that TRANSLATIONS "for various reasons" feels that it had better incorporate the entire business and has made arrangements with a Mr. MOSTELL for tomorrow morning (3/19/59) at 10 o'clock.

On 3/19/59, LEONARD MINS, in a discussion with ISIDORE KAHN at CI 6-2335, referred to KAHN as "partner in bankruptcy" and that KAHN referred to MINS as "my partner in a mess." MINS learned that MARTHA KAHN told IZZ some of the things "we" discussed with MOSTELL. MINS stated "he" feels it would be well for "us" to do the following:

You sell me your car and I'll sell you my car and transfer plates with each car. LEONARD suggested that IZZ tell JACK (ph), his insurance agent, to transfer the insurance as of tomorrow (3/20/59) and explained that LEONARD will drive IZZ's car with his drivers license and that IZZ will drive LEONARD's car with IZZ's drivers license. Finally, IZZ asked LEONARD what he, IZZ, would do if they seize his assets. LEONARD then stated that he will sell his car to MARTHA and buy IZZ's car.

LEONARD advised that MOSTELL's own brother, ZERO (ph), is in it up to his neck and that he said every good guy in New York is in it. At this point IZZ related

- 1 - Newark (100-) (HENRY MINS) (RM)
- ① - New York (100-118425) (MARTHA L. KAHN) (425)
- 1 - New York (100-90032) (ISIDORE KAHN) (425)
- 1 - New York (100-94075) (ABRAHAM BENEDICT WEINSTEIN) (412)
- 1 - New York (100-98667) (HENRY MINS) (33)
- 1 - New York (100-109627) (MAX POSNER) (414)
- 1 - New York (101-414)

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to LEONARD a story about a person who works in IZZ's office (International Jewelry Workers Union, Local 1, 133 West 44th Street, NYC). According to IZZ, this fellow's wife works in a book concern which is a Local 65 shop and that she (apparently the fellow's wife) made a remark about A. B. WEINSTEIN (ABRAHAM BENEDICT WEINSTEIN) whereupon the lady in charge asked her if she knew him and she ascertained that the lady's sister and brother-in-law have thousands of dollars worth of those notes and inquired if there was anything wrong.

IZZ asked LEONARD how much was involved. LEONARD advised him one million but that MOSTELL guessed two and a half (million).

IZZ said that the one million figure comes from his (WEINSTEIN's) lawyer, LEVIN and WEINTRUB (ph). LEONARD pointed out to IZZ the defense of usury in regard to the notes as pointed out to LEONARD by POSNER (MAX POSNER) and agreed upon by MOSTELL. LEONARD stated that POSNER had refused to finance him (ABE WEINSTEIN) two years ago because he was bankrupt. LEONARD quoted MOSTELL as saying if "he" was bankrupt and "they" loan money to a bankrupt, then "they" are guilty of fraud and are not able to collect. LEONARD stated that POSNER said that we (LEONARD and IZZ) are "accommodation makers". LEONARD advised IZZ that they should protect their assets immediately in view of what IZZ has indicated that some people are receiving summons.

MOSTELL is believed to be MILTON I. MOSTELL of the CPA firm GOTTLIEB and MOSTELL.

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SA WILLIAM M. MATTINGLY

LEONARD EMIL MINS
ESP - RInformant

Reliability

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Date of Activity

As indicated.

On 3/18/59, the informant learned that American Motors Corp. was formerly a client of Consultant/Translations Bureau (affiliate of Consultants Bureau) and that this account had been turned over to Translations by CCT.

On 3/23/59, the informant stated that BERNIE KOTEN called LEONARD MINS and that LEONARD subsequently invited KOTEN to visit him at his home at 130 W. 57th St. The informant learned that KOTEN was going to the concert tonight and was to meet some friends at the Russian Tea Room at 6:45 p.m.

On 3/24/59, the informant furnished information reflecting that LIZA (GOTTLIEB) continues to be employed by Translations, apparently as an employee who does most of the work in her own home. In this connection the informant advised on 3/26/59, that LEONARD MINS was with LIZA (GOTTLIEB), who told him in Russian that she had tried to reach him several times. MINS commended her on her work and gave her instructions on work she presently has. He also pointed out some misspelled words and advised her he has a rush job for IBM which must be in their hands by Tuesday (3/31/59). (The Russian translation was handled by ANATOLE BOGUSLAV.)

- 1 - 105-16106 (CONSULTANTS BUREAU) (34)
- 1 - 100-82433 (BERNIE KOTEN) (412)
- 1 - 105-15381 (MYRON PLEASURE) (34)
- ① - 100-118425 (MARTHA KAHN) (425)
- 1 - 100-43035 (ANNA H. WARREN) (414)
- 1 - 100-55686 (ILSE MERKSON) (423)
- 1 - 100-80486 (MARTIN POPPER) (351)
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On 3/24/59, the informant advised that MYRON PLEASURE called MARTHA KAHN and inquired about the rates on Russian translations. He explained that the translation would involve a technical book in Russian, the name of which is Journal of Technical Physics, Volume 24, Number 5, pages 879 to 833 inclusive. The informant learned that PLEASURE is with the Times Facsimile Co. and he will let MARTHA know if they will have the job done. PLEASURE inquired for an application for a German translator and KAHN agreed to send him an application.

On 3/25/59, the informant furnished information reflecting that ANNA H. WARREN and ILSE MERKSON are employed as translators by the subject's firm. In this connection the informant advised that MERKSON continues her employment at Cohn-Hall and apparently has been doing Estonian texts on the side for Translations.

On 3/26/59, the informant learned that a client of Translations is Willcox and Gibbs.

Willcox and Gibbs is listed in the Manhattan Telephone Directory as a sewing machine company and located at 214 W. 39th St.

Information supplied by the informant during March, 1959, reflects that Wolf, Pepper, Ross, Wolf and Jones continue as customers of Translations.

On 3/26/59, MINS called the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C., and ordered a Photostat and negative of a five page article in the Library. The title of the volume is "Trudi" put out by "Academian Nauk CCCP, Ural'skii Filial, Sverdlovsk, Gornе-Geologicheskii Institut, Volume 30, dated 1957, Section Geofiz. Sbornik Number 2, pages 116-120." The article translated into English is entitled, "On the Use of the Correlation Refraction Method in Prospecting and Exploration of Coal Deposits on the Eastern Slope of the Urals." According to the informant the article was written by KHALEVIN.

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On 3/27/59, the informant learned that Southern Oxygen is a client of Translations. Southern Oxygen is located at 250 W. 57th St., NYC.

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HENRY F. MINS
IS-RInformant

Reliability

Who has furnished reliable
information in the past.

Date of Activity

As indicated.

On 3/21/59, JEAN MINS, who was at the Office of Translations, 130 W. 57th St., NYC, called GENE (JACKSON) at Ingersoll 2-2028. JEAN told GENE that she has a big problem as all sorts of things have been happening. According to the informant, JEAN wanted to speak with ELLA (JACKSON), but ELLA was at the studio. JEAN advised GENE that "we're not going to Truro" (Massachusetts?), remarking that nothing trivial would stop us but that "HENRY and I are separating." According to the informant, JEAN will call back and tell ELLA all the bad news.

The current Brooklyn Telephone Directory reflects Ingersoll 2-2028 is listed to JACKSON at 50 Lefferts Boulevard.

On 3/23/59, HENRY MINS, while at Translations, called his wife, JEAN, in Clinton, New Jersey, at which time Mrs. MINS advised she had spoken to GENE JACKSON and had arranged to meet him on Wednesday in town at the Union Building and give him those things. She said that ROBERT was there and answered the telephone and supposed he came to help them pack. Mrs. MINS said she had spoken to her mother who was glad there will be "no cutting off."

- 2 - Newark (RM)
- 1 - New York (100-3859) (GENE JACKSON) (422)
- 1 - New York (100-110848) (ELLA JACKSON) (422)
- ① - New York (100-118425) (MARTHA L. KAHN) (425)
- 1 - New York (100-112811) (RUTH JODY) (425)
- 1 - New York (100-112854) (ALEXANDER JODY) (425)
- 1 - New York (100-96205) (WINDSOR LEE) (311)
- 1 - New York (101-414) (LEONARD EMIL MINS) (33)
- 1 - New York (100-116175) (EUGENE GENOVESE) (425)
- 1 - New York (100-98667)

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On 3/23/59, the informant advised that an unknown woman called MARTHA KAHN at Translations and requested KHAN not to say the caller's name, inquiring if HENRY was in. The informant ascertained that it was apparent this unknown woman called in relation to the fact that HENRY MINS and his wife are separating.

On 3/24/59, the informant advised that RUTH (JODY) invited HENRY MINS to come to dinner tomorrow evening (3/25/59) and spend the night. The informant ascertained that MINS will go to RUTH's for dinner but will come back "here" to sleep. The informant learned that ALEX (JODY) is home with the gripe.

On 3/25/59, HENRY MINS called a Mr. (WINDSOR) LEE at Walker 5-4792 and discussed with LEE a translation that MINS wants LEE to do for him. The informant learned that it was something to do with "meteorological terms" and that HENRY would provide a special book with those translations. The informant stated that LEE resides at 30 Henry St., NY 2, NY, in Apartment 8.

On 3/26/59, HENRY MINS spoke to GENE (GENOVESE) and made plans to call on GENE and his wife, ANN, for an early supper at their house on Friday evening. HENRY remarked that he wants to see people which he needs and he wants to see "good people." The informant ascertained that ANN has received a fellowship for next year amounting to "25".

Also on 3/26/59, HENRY MINS called his home in Clinton, New Jersey, and advised a woman (JEAN MINS?) that it does not make sense to "push you around." The woman replied that it is okay, that they are packing and are going to leave this afternoon. HENRY stated that he would have changed his dinner date with the GENOVESES otherwise and see her tonight. HENRY wished her a pleasant trip.

On 3/27/59, the informant stated that HENRY MINS called GENE (GENOVESE) and advised him that he could not come tonight as "things are hopping all over." GENE agreed to call HENRY on Monday or Tuesday next week.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-118425)

DATE: 4/1/59

FROM : SA WILLIAM M. MATTINGLY #33

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SUBJECT: MARTHA L. KAHN
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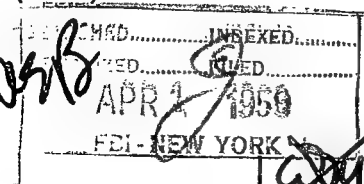
On 3/13/59, MARTHA KAHN at TRANSLATIONS, 130 West 57th Street, NYC, called IZ (KAHN) at "Jewelry Workers" (International Jewelry Workers Union, Local 1, 133 West 44th Street, NYC, CI 6-2335) to advise him that RAY (LNU) did not call and that she would come over to his company when she was finished.

Subsequently, MARTHA KAHN called JENNIE MOREAU at OL 2-3739 and stated that ALBERTO (MOREAU) had advised MARTHA that JENNIE had not been feeling well but would be able to come tomorrow night (3/14/59). MARTHA indicated that JENNIE and ALBERTO should come tomorrow night at any time before 7. MARTHA later mentioned that they were "just distraught" as they had received a very distressing letter advising that MARTHA's sister, ESTHER, is ill again. According to the informant, ESTHER is in the hospital and had an ulcer operation prior to coming back to the hospital this time at which time half of her stomach was removed. The informant also ascertained that MARTHA sent an air mail special delivery letter asking BOB (husband of ESTHER?) to call her on Sunday (3/15/59) to discuss ESTHER's illness. MARTHA stated they were going to dinner tonight after which they were attending a concert to hear a mezzo-soprano.

On 3/16/59, KAHN called JENNIE and inquired for TINA's (ph) phone number as they, TRANSLATIONS, planned to offer her a job. JENNIE said she did not have it but will tell TINA to call MARTHA.

1 - NY 100- (DOROTHY HERSHENOW) (425)
1 - NY 100- (ACADEMIC FREEDOM COMMITTEE) (411)
1 - NY 100-90032 (ISIDORE KAHN) (425)
1 - NY 100-13204 (ALBERTO MOREAU) (421)
1 - NY 100-102619 (JENNIE MOREAU) (421)
1 - NY 101-414 (LEONARD E. MINS) (33)
1 - NY 100-118425 (425)

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On 3/16/59, the informant advised that an unidentified woman called MARTHA KAHN and advised KAHN she had just received a call from DOROTHY HERSHENOW, telephone number Atwater 9-4129.

This unidentified woman stated that HERSHENOW had complained about the fact that an article had not been written for the Academic Freedom Committee. According to the informant, the conversation indicated that HERSHENOW had returned certain material relative to this article to the committee because she was unable to write the article herself due to the fact that her mother is desperately ill. The woman related that HERSHENOW wanted MARTHA to call her tonight as she has made other contacts all of whom want articles written.

The informant stated that MARTHA would not call HERSHENOW tonight and had claimed to the unidentified woman that she was "going to CLARA" right after work. According to the informant, KAHN and the woman agreed that HERSHENOW is "a very difficult gal" but the woman pointed out that HERSHENOW's life has been made more difficult by her "truly horrible" situation at home. MARTHA asserted that no one on the Academic Freedom Committee, except herself, will assume any responsibility.

On 3/20/59, the informant learned that KAHN called JENNIE at which time they discussed the death of MARTHA's uncle who was almost 70, and the illness of her aunt.

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SA WILLIAM M. MATTINGLY (#33)

LEONARD EMIL MINS
ESP - R

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On 3/30/59, the informant learned that the journal on atomic energy should be out this week and can be obtained by sending an order to Consultants Bureau.

On 3/30/59, MARTHA (KAHN) at Translations called MARSHA (LNU) at Consultants Custom Translation (CCT), 227 West 17th Street, and advised her that they have "Stats" for three of the ten items in Chinese which they (Translations) got from MARSHA. MARSHA advised MARTHA that the others had been taken care of so everything is all right.

On 3/31/59, the informant advised that LEONARD MINS called EARL COLEMAN at Consultant Bureau (CB) and inquired of COLEMAN if CB intended to publish Chinese journals. The informant learned that CB intended to publish such a journal when a good journal was found, some decent translators were located, and provided there was a market. MINS then advised that "there is a whole slew of Chinese stuff from NASA" and indicated that the material comprised 8 articles, 5 of which had already been translated by CCT before they were bought out by Translations. MINS pointed out to COLEMAN that the translation of these articles indicated that CCT had a Chinese translator whose name was not included in the list turned over to MINS by CCT. MINS insisted that the contract required this to be furnished. COLEMAN agreed to check on it.

- 1 - NY 100-90699 (424) (EARL COLEMAN)
 1 - NY 105-16106 (Consultant's Bureau 34) 100-118425-71
 ① - NY 118425 (MARTHA L. KAHN) 424
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COLEMAN inquired how MINS was coming on "that list of stuff for the NASA" (National Aeronautics and Space Administration?). COLEMAN indicated he wanted to furnish a schedule to NASA.

On 4/1/59, the informant reported that EARL (COLEMAN) called LEONARD MINS and engaged in a lengthy conversation with MINS which was summarized by the informant as follows:

COLEMAN has just received a request for quotations from the Union Carbon Nuclear Company (Union Carbide Nuclear Co.?) as they want a year contract for German, French, Russian, Italian, Swedish, Portuguese, Czech, Norwegian, Japanese, Spanish and Polish. The informant learned that MINS was eager to accept this contract, but that EARL expressed some hesitation for LEONARD to accept it as it will be a tremendous amount of work and LEONARD has such a back log built up. The informant stated that subsequent conversation between the two concerning the absorption of orders by Translations and the locating of translators led MINS to remark that he does not trust EARL as far as he can throw him, since the list (of translators) was robbed of good translators by EARL, for use at CB. The informant stated that EARL denied this and LEONARD then remarked if this was true then EARL had never given the names of translators to CCT in the first place which EARL also denied. According to the informant, MINS was quite upset about the lack of translators on this list. The informant advised that MINS and COLEMAN then discussed how they should accept this contract with the Union Carbide Nuclear Company, since the request had been sent to CCT.

The informant also learned that MINS is giving EARL 10 per cent on the contract from NASA.

The informant also learned that MINS apparently will send a quotation to EARL, who will in turn quote the list to (Union Carbide?) and leave Translations name out of the contract for the moment. The informant also learned that 750 individual cards (cost quotation cards?) had previously

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been sent to EARL's office apparently in relation to other requests, for quotations received by CCT. MINS said there would be extra work the first few months with MARSHA LNU at CCT then sending it on to Translations. MINS then inquired whether "they" are members of EARL's club and both agreed that if "they" are members they will be getting microfilm of the thing anyway. They agreed that MARSHA will know. The informant could furnish no further information concerning the club membership discussion. The informant stated that EARL and MINS then discussed the percentage of the contracts that Translations will give to CCT. MINS only wanted to give 5 per cent, but EARL wanted 10 per cent, at the same as he is getting from NASA contract.

During the course of this conversation, EARL remarked that he presently had on his desk 26 orders from NASA which EARL is not sending to MINS since MINS is so swamped with work. MINS then suggested that the contract be signed by EARL (with Union Carbide Nuclear Co.?) then in three months EARL can tell them that Translations is doing the work and it can be turned over to MINS. EARL advised he did not know if he could do that, but LEONARD explained that AEC and the Army specify that contracts can be sub-contracted, so EARL will have no trouble. They then agreed to do as MINS suggests as EARL has looked over the contract and cannot find any prohibitions. EARL stated that if CHARLOTTE (D'ANTONIO, COLEMAN's attorney) can show that it is legal they will do it. MINS pointed out that CCT and CB have been sub-contracting all along legally speaking. He pointed out that he is doing NASA stuff right now and there is not any trouble. MINS said that they have sent to EARL for EARL to send to NASA, the prospectuses, and like the four books and the binding of the 90 page book on space travel, EARL would not get hurt on those things anymore than he will on the new order. EARL said that his biggest question is what the expense will be and will speak to CHARLOTTE first.

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SA WILLIAM M. MATTINGLY (#33)

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LEONARD EMIL MINS
ESP - R

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On 3/31/59, the informant stated that the subject
called VIC (GOTTLIEB) at Murray Hill 3-9311.

Murray Hill 3-9311 is listed in the current
Manhattan Telephone Directory to Gottlieb and Mostel, CPAs
at 341 Madison Avenue.

LEONARD advised VIC that at 10 o'clock last night
two men from the American Trust Company came to talk to him
but he did not talk to them and advised VIC they would probably
be back to his office today, and he wanted to talk to MOSTEL
before they came. According to the informant, LEONARD wanted
to find out what to do with the summons.

On the same date, the informant stated that MARTHA
KAHN advised IZ (KAHN) at "Jewelry Workers" that LEONARD
had gotten a summons the previous evening from Stratford
(Factors Company) and at 10 o'clock last night two men came to
the house and wanted to know how "A.B." had gotten hold of
all of these, "they said - I think - 120 people". MARTHA
said that she felt that she should advise IZ in case anything
occurs.

- 1 - NY 100-94075 (A.B. WEINSTEIN) 424
- ① - NY 100-118425 (MARTHA L. KAHN) 424
- 1 - NY 100-90032-725 (ISIDORE KAHN) 424
- 1 - NY 100-49021 (ZERO MOSTEL) 425
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Later the same day, the informant advised that MINS had stated that because of a friendship for a dentist, whom he and about 200 other people signed notes for, just so he could do some research and development work on teeth, he now has no money to pay and they are going after us. MINS told the informant he is stuck for notes for over \$6,000 and other people are stuck for \$20,000. According to the informant, MINS stated that if this ever breaks in the papers it will be a big scandal. The informant learned that MINS' lawyer had told him to get a chattel mortgage on his car.

On 4/2/59, LEONARD MINS was advised by MILTON (MOSTEL?) that he would answer the summons and deny that "we" owe them anything. MILTON said that he would send the mortgage up to LEONARD. MILTON advised LEONARD that he would delay on the summons as long as possible at which time LEONARD remarked that within three or four days another one comes up, a total of five of them. MILTON then told LEONARD they are not going to sue on those others as they will sue on "this one". MILTON advised that ZERO (ph) (MOSTEL?), has not received a ticket (summons?) yet, that he is avoiding it, and is leaving. (getting out of town?).

On 4/3/59, LISA (ph) (LIZA GOTTLIEB) called Translations and said that VIC's (VITALY (VICTOR) M. GOTTLIEB) physician was bringing the documents (mortgage?) for LEONARD.

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-98667)

HENRY F. MINS
IS-R

On 4/2/59, [] advised that GENE GENOVESE contacted HENRY MINS at Translations and advised that GENE and ANN would come out to HENRY'S place on Saturday morning (4/4/59).

According to the informant, HENRY learned that GENE went to see "the great man MORRIS (ph)" at which time GENE and MORRIS discussed the "profitability" section. GENE could include it in the dissertation if he could specify HART (ph) and GOODRICH (ph) (some type of publisher?). GENE advised HENRY, according to the informant, that "he" said there was nothing personal about it that he told "him" what "he" and MALONE (ph) had said and what MALONE had said about their attitude toward GENE'S Marxism (?). GENE continued that "he" denied it and said that GENE misunderstood. GENE remarked he has agreed to talk to them as he has nothing to lose except a couple of hours of his time.

On 4/6/59, RUTH (JODY?) called HENRY MINS at Translations during which time they discussed the "New York Times" and "Time" magazine. Both agreed the publications were slanted and HENRY added that the magazine "U.S. News and World Report" is worse than the "Times" magazine. HENRY inquired if RUTH had heard from Mexico. The informant learned that neither had.

According to the informant, HENRY stated he had received a card from Carlyle, Pennsylvania, which would be "his" first stop on Route 11. According to the informant, RUTH said that CLARITA and VERA (possibly mutual friends of the JODYS' and MINS' in Mexico) "will be absolutely out cold on their backs." The

- 2 - Newark (RM)
- 1 - New York (100-116175) (EUGENE GENOVESE) (#425)
- 1 - New York (101-414)
- 1 - New York (100-112811) (RUTH (JODY)) (#425)
- 1 - New York (100-113425) (MARTHA L. KAIN) (#425)
- 1 - New York (100-71223) (RUTH AMES) (#424)
- 1 - New York (100-94605) (RUSSELL AMES) (#424)
- 1 - New York (100-98667)

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informant also advised that RUTH expects to hear from URNO (ph) as RUTH believes she, URNO, is coming on Wednesday. RUTH subsequently stated that she is sure that JEAN will just spring it on them. Subsequently on 4/6/59, MARTHA KAHN called RUTH (JODY) and mentioned that HENRY had spoken to her today after he had called RUTH about the explosive situation in Mexico. The informant stated that according to KAHN, HENRY has decided to take the offensive because he is essentially a monogamist. According to the informant, MARTHA and RUTH then discussed this situation (above) and revealed it according to the informant, to concern the fact that HENRY'S wife, JEAN (EUGENIA), went off to Mexico with RUSSELL (ph) after being married to HENRY for 30 years. According to the informant, MARTHA and RUTH both agreed that JEAN, who is 51 years old, has been planning to leave HENRY for years.

The informant advised that MARTHA said that HENRY thinks he will make JEAN come back, but he is not being realistic. RUTH said RUSSELL was thrown out two months ago, and that RUTH AMES (ph) (wife of RUSSELL?) is raving and ranting about it. The informant learned that MARTHA quoted HENRY as saying that JEAN would get bored with RUSSELL'S conversation while driving to Mexico.

In regard to RUSS and RUTH, on 1/22/59, the informant advised that HENRY had told JEAN that RUSSELL had called last night. The informant learned that HENRY and JEAN WINS are acquaintances of RUTH and RUSS, who have children named DAVID and CATHY. The informant also learned that JEAN declined an invitation of RUTH'S to have dinner on 1/22/59, as "we have a friend coming up here."

RUTH and RUSS are tentatively considered identical to RUTH and RUSSELL AMES, as indicated by the copies designated.

The above information is furnished for the information of Newark.

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SAC, NEW YORK (101-414)

4/16/59

SA WILLIAM M. MATTINGLY

LEONARD EMIL MINS
ESP. - R

Source:

Reliability: Who has furnished reliable
information in the past.

Date of Activity: as indicated

On 2/17/59, the informant learned that
LEONARD MINS at Translations, 130 West 57th Street,
attempted to call IDA MARCUS (Ph) at JU 6-2828 and
RI 9-5010.

It has been determined that the current
Manhattan Directory reflects that JU 6-2828 is listed to
the City Center of Music and Drama, Incorporated, 130
West 56th Street, NYC.

It has also been determined that RI 9-5010
is listed to IDA MARTUS of 27 West 96th Street, NYC.

On 3/27/59, MINS, according to the informant,
stated that he was working on a priority job and was doing
"an 88 page book on space travel" for a "government job in
Washington" (NASA?).

On 3/27/59, the informant learned that
Translations would send a brochure to the Western Union
Telegraphic Company, Room 704, 60 Hudson Street, NYC,
as they had inquired about rates on Translations of
technical material. The informant stated that a Miss
M. M. DUIDRY from Western Union had called Translations.

- ①-New York (100-118425) (MARTHA L. KAHN) (424)
- 1-New York (105-8304) (PAUL GOTTLIEB) 33
- 1-New York (100-7973) (MICHAEL GEORGE CORSON)
- 1-New York (101-414)

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On 3/30/59, the informant learned that Translations presently has a great demand for German and Russian but not work in French and Spanish.

On 4/1/59, the informant advised that LIZA (GOTTLIEB) called MARTHA (KAHN) at Translations at which time LIZA said that PAUL (GOTTLIEB) had gone to the airport to go to Fort Dix and went by bus (?). The informant stated that the subject subsequently spoke to LIZA at which time they discussed the first chapter of the book should be "Return to the Earth". He said that the third chapter is "Free Travel in Space," the fourth "Circling Other Celestial Bodies" and the fifth "Landing on Other Celestial Bodies".

On 4/1/59, the informant advised that a Mr. FRANK CUTTING (ph) of (Fifth World Petroleum Congress, 527 Madison Avenue) called MARTHA KAHN at Translations and complained about some material translated into French; that he was forced to have it done elsewhere from now on. KAHN stated that the translator was a native Frenchman MD, a highly cultured person and they had noted it would be difficult to translate it into French.

It is to be noted on 3/24/59, a mail cover on Translations reflected receipt of a letter from a Dr. ANDRE H. CLAVEL of 11 West 74th Street, NYC.

On 4/1/59, the informant learned that Translations evidently had to translate a phonograph record for a company at CI 5-1668.

The current Manhattan Directory reflects this number is subscribed to by Monitor Records, 445 West 49th Street, NYC.

On 4/2/59, the informant advised that a Mr. CORSEN (ph) (MICHAEL GEORGE CORSON?) called Translations and inquired whether anything had come in from the Atomic Energy. He was told by MARTHA KAHN, according to the informant,

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that they did not have anything and guessed that they have not sent out much or are having someone else do it.

On 4/2/59, the informant learned that Translations was considering hiring an office boy.

On 4/3/59, a Mrs. LOWE (ph) called MARTHA KAHN at Translations inquiring about a German piece she translated as a trial. MARTHA replied that the translation looked pretty good but that Translations doesn't always have German work; now they have a terrific amount of Russian work on hand. According to the informant, KAHN stated that Translations is known for doing scientific and technical translations and mentioned that KAHN herself had studied several foreign languages.

It is to be noted that on 4/2/59, a mail cover on Translations reflected the receipt of a letter from WILMA LOEB, 50-37 245th Street, Douglaston, NY.

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-128634)

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SAC, NEW YORK (101-414)

LEONARD EMIL MINS
ESP - R

Enclosed herewith are five copies of a letterhead memo concerning the subject's firm Translations.

The confidential source mentioned is [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past.

MYRON PLEASURE was previously investigated under the Atomic Energy applicant program in 1956, and was the subject of an IS - R investigation in 1955, after having sent mail to the Soviet Delegation in NYC. The Navy and Air Force have previously been furnished copies of reports on PLEASURE.

The classification of the enclosed letterhead memo is being left open in order that the Bureau may insert an appropriate classification. Part II, Section 4, pages 53 - 57 of the Manual of Rules and Regulations does not appear to specifically cover information of this type. It is requested the Bureau, in this regard, advise the NYO of the classification designated and instructions to be followed in the future concerning the classification of information such as this.

In particular, attention is invited to the comment of EARL R. EVANS that knowledge of his company's contract for Polaris components classified "Secret" coupled with information desired in the Soviet journal referred to could lead to an intelligent guess as to navigational difficulties being experienced in developing the Polaris. It is believed this type of information should be classified but whether as high a classification as "Secret" is necessary is not known.

Times Facsimile Corp., mentioned in the letterhead memo is on the Procli list.

- 2-Bureau (100-128634)(Encls. 5)(RM)
 ①-New York (100-118425)(MARTHA L. KAHN)(425)
 1-New York (100-98667)(HENRY F. MINS)(33)
 1-New York (105-15381)(MYRON PLEASURE)(33)
 1-New York (116-116372)(MYRON PLEASURE)(44)
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United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation

New York, New York
April 20, 1959

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Re: Translations
130 West 57th Street
New York, New York

In latter March, 1959, a confidential source advised that the above captioned firm was being considered by the Times Facsimile Corporation, 540 West 58th Street, New York, New York, for a contract in translating from Russian to English, a portion of the Journal of Technical Physics, Volume 24, number 5. The source stated that Martha L. Kahn, an employee of Translations, had spoken to a Mr. Myron Pleasure at Times Facsimile concerning this contract, and that Pleasure, in turn, had expressed an interest in doing German translating. According to this source, Kahn was to send an application to Pleasure subsequently.

The Times Facsimile Corporation, 540 West 58th Street, New York City, has classified contracts with the Navy and Air Force. It is noted that the Times Facsimile Corporation is a subsidiary of the Times Mirror Company.

On March 31, 1959, Earl R. Evans, Assistant General Manager and Security Officer at Times Facsimile, was contacted by Special Agent William M. Mattingly. He advised that his company was to let a contract for translating a Soviet Journal, the results of which would be used in conducting research on a constant frequency instrument similar to a musicians tuning fork, though obviously many times more accurate and complicated.

Mr. Evans stated that his company has a contract with the Navy for components having to do with the Polaris missile, parts of which are classified "Secret". He explained that knowledge of this fact, together with the information desired in the above journal, would enable, in his opinion, an intelligent guess of navigational difficulties

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as related to communications, that is presently being experienced in the development of the Polaris.

Mr. Evans stated that Myron Pleasure, an employee, is instrumental in negotiating for translating contracts, but does not have authority to let a contract. Pleasure has access to classified information. He resides at 37-13 74th Street, Jackson Heights, New York, and has been employed by Times Facsimile for about three months.

On April 1, 1959, Mr. Evans was contacted and advised he had ascertained that the above contract had previously been let to a firm other than Translations.

Translations is jointly owned by Leonard E. Mins and his brother, Henry P. Mins. It is a firm specializing in scientific technical translations in about 25 languages.

As to Leonard E. Mins; in her book, "Out of Bondage", on pages 160 and 161, Elizabeth Bentley, self-confessed former Communist Party member, and former Soviet Courier, who served as an assistant to a Soviet espionage agent named Jacob Golos from about 1938 until his death in November, 1943, refers to Leonard Mins as follows:

"One case that comes to my mind was that of Leonard Mins, son of a charter member of the American Communist Party and a well-known revolutionary, who somehow turned up as a Russian interpreter in the O. S. S. Jr. Julius Joseph's wife, Bella, then working for the O. S. S. 's Movie Division, which made confidential films for the use of the United States General Staff, met him in the corridor of her building and fled in a panic. Years before, she had known him quite well; and remembering that he was an open Communist, she was terrified at being seen with him. Mins, incidentally, was finally uncovered by the United States Government and fired. Nothing daunted, he fought the case for several months, then gave up and vanished from sight. At the time I

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complained bitterly to Yasha about the stupidity of allowing Leonard to take such a position. He snorted indignantly.

" 'I don't know what is the matter with those people,' he said in a rare burst of anger. 'Mins is so well known that he might just as well go around Washington with the hammer and sickle painted on his chest and waving a red flag. He worked quite openly for the Moscow Daily News over there and he's been used by our organization in the past. Worse than that, I know for a fact that the FBI has a collection of photographs showing him marching in May Day parades as a representative of the American Communist Party.

" 'I'll send word through to Moscow and tell Bella for goodness' sake to run like hell when she sees him!'"

The Communist Party, United States of America, has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States, pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

Concerning Leonard E. Mins' brother, the September 9, 1952 issue of the "New York World Telegram and Sun", a New York daily newspaper, reflects Doctor Bella V. Dodd, ex-Communist and one time head of the Teachers' Union in New York City, named Henry F. Mins as one of the teachers active in the city schools as secret members of the Communist Party. Doctor Dodd furnished this information to the Senate Internal Security Sub-Committee during September, 1952.

Martha L. Kahn, the employee at Translations, was described by John Lautner, former Chairman of the Review Commission, New York State Communist Party, who was expelled in January, 1950, from the Communist Party, in May, 1954, as a Communist Party member from 1946 through 1949. He further

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described her as a "hard core" Communist Party member, who, from 1947 to 1949, was a teacher at the School of Marxist Study at the Jefferson School of Social Science (JSSS). Lautner explained this was considered the inner school where only Communist Party members were taught.

The JSSS has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States, pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

Concerning Myron Pleasure, Office of Naval Intelligence advised on November 15, 1955, to the effect that Pleasure was then a former recent employee and Chief Engineer of a company having classified naval contracts, and was regarded as mentally unbalanced.

On November 22, 1955, Doctor Angelo J. Emma and Doctor Hedda Gorz, West Hill Sanatorium, Bronx, New York, advised Special Agent John J. Connolly that Pleasure had voluntarily committed himself to that Sanatorium from June 1 - 8, 1945, May 7 - 14, 1948, and February 16 - 20, 1951. He was diagnosed as schizophrenic paranoid type.

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LEONARD EMIL MINS
ESPIONAGE - R

Re NY letter, 4/2/59.

On 4/20/59, [] advised that MARTHA KAHN, at Translations, placed a call through the long distance operator, to PAUL KNAPP, Librarian at FY 4-2601, Littleton, Colorado. However, KNAPP was not available.

Later on 4/20/59, KNAPP called KAHN collect at which time she advised she had received the translation and it would cost \$400. She said it would be ready in a month or less. The informant advised that KNAPP did not have the authority to tell her to go ahead so he said he would write to her, at Translations, 130 West 57th Street, NYC.

Denver is requested to ascertain the company KNAPP is associated with and in the event this company has access to classified information the nature of the translation discussed by KAHN with KNAPP should be ascertained. It should also be ascertained whether this translation would identify any research project or other classified project going on at this company.

Care should be taken to protect the identity of []

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(1) - 100-118425) (MARTHA KAHN) (424)

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-118425) DATE: 5/4/59

FROM : SA WILLIAM M. MATTINGLY FOIA(b) (7) - (D)

SUBJECT: MARTHA L. KAHN
SM - C

Informant:

Reliability: Who has furnished reliable information in the past.

Date of Activity: 3/23/59

On 3/23/59, MARTHA KAHN contacted LEONA (PH) at Watkins 4-5524 and informed her that she, MARTHA, would be over to talk to her and bring her the money.

It has been ascertained that the current Manhattan Telephone Directory reflects WA 4-5524 is listed to ALBERTO BARRETO at 290 West 11th Street, New York City.

On 3/31/59, MARTHA (KAHN) called ANNE MINS and after inquiring how ANNE was both women laughed indicating a reference apparently to ANNE's physical condition. MARTHA requested that ANNE tell LEONARD MINS not to rush as she was to meet "my friend HARRY COHEN (PH)" at 1 o'clock but that his secretary had mistakenly scheduled another appointment for him. MARTHA and ANNE subsequently agreed to go out for coffee later.

On 4/21/59, IZZ (PH) (KAHN) contacted MARTHA (KAHN) at her employment, Translations, 130 West 57th Street, and requested her to close out their account at the 56th Street branch (bank unknown) as IZZ had just

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- 1 - New York (100-107174) (HARRY COHEN) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-99032) (ISADORE KAHN) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-94075) (A.B. WEINSTEIN) (424)
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received a telephone call about a \$300 note, because one bank refused to accept it inasmuch as another bank had paid it off, so now there is a fight between the two banks and the one bank (evidently the 56th Street branch) advised IZZ to close out the account.

(The above conversation apparently refers to a note to Dr. ABRAHAM BENEDICT WEINSTEIN for which a stop payment was probably placed by KAHN at his bank).

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TO: SAC, NEW YORK (101-414)

DATE: 5/15/59

FROM: SA WILLIAM M. MATTINGLY

FOIA(b) (7) - (D)

SUBJECT: LEONARD EMIL MINS
ESPIONAGE - R

Informant:

Reliability: Who has furnished reliable information in the past

Date of Activity: As indicated

On 3/18/59, STELLA MARTINO (PH) called (MARTHA KAHN?) and inquired for HENRY MINS, who was not there. MARTINO requested he call her at GRamercy 7-0303 and then stated that she would call back.

Records of the New York Telephone Company, furnished by EDWARD L. BRAUNE, to SA PAUL F. ROWLANDS on 4/10/59, reflect GR 7-0303 is listed to PIERRE M. MARTINOT.

Later on 3/18/59, according to the informant, STELLA contacted HENRY and advised that she had received a letter from JEAN and she gave her April 2, which would be alright. HENRY stated he thought that they would go to the Cape and STELLA replied that April 6 is also alright.

- 1 - Newark (HENRY MINS) (INFO) (RM)
- 1 - New York (100-18425) (MARTHA L. KAHN) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-98667) (HENRY MINS) (33)
- 1 - New York (100-120931) (A. L. DEUTSCH) (414)
- 1 - New York (100-112854) (ALEXANDER JODY) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-112811) (RUTH JODY) (424)
- 1 - New York (100-125562) (TED NORTON) (414)
- 1 - New York (100-3859) (EUGENE JACKSON) (422)
- 1 - New York (100-110848) (ELLA JACKSON) (422)
- 1 - New York (123-1940) (LIAM DUNNE) (43)
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The informant learned that STELLA is moving about the 15th to Peter Cooper (apartments?).

On 3/19/59, HENRY MINS called STELLA at GR 7-0303 and in subsequent conversation agreed on April 21, and told STELLA to give his best to CAL (PH).

On 3/18/59, LEONARD MINS, as LEONARDO, contacted a person by the name of ANGEL (PH) at OR 9-6065, Woodstock, NY. The informant learned that MINS wanted to talk to JOE about his mortgage, incorporating his business, and wants JOE to do some work for him in Kingston. The informant learned that JOE was to come in Friday (3/20/59) as he had a conference at the Mc Alpin Hotel.

OR 9-6065, Woodstock, NY, is listed to J.L. DEUTSCH of Woodstock, according to EDWARD L. BRAUNE, NY Telephone Company, on 4/10/59, who furnished information to SA PAUL F. ROWLANDS.

On 3/23/59, ALEX (JODY) contacted (MARTHA KAHN) who told him that RUTH (JODY) had called her and told her not to say anything and said that he, ALEX, was coming to meet HENRY (MINS) for lunch. (this apparently refers to the fact that HENRY's wife, JEAN, has left him). The informant learned that ALEX's number is both SPring 7-0104 and SPring 7-0103.

On 4/10/59, EDWARD L. BRAUNE, Legal Department, New York Telephone Company, advised SA PAUL F. ROWLANDS that these numbers are listed to JOSEPH ENGELMAN, MD., 2 Astor Place, NYC.

On 4/13,14 and 20/59, the informant learned that HENRY MINS is connected in some way with RALPH GINZBURG, 86-10 34th Avenue, Jackson Heights, in connection with the translating of a Russian book and that the raw material for this book is being sent to a Mr. ABRAHAM LEIBERMAN of Book Sales, Incorporated, on the 16th floor at 352 4th Avenue, NYC.

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On 4/20/59, the informant learned that HENRY MINS would be unable to visit TED (NORTON) and his wife because of a sore throat.

On 4/22/59, the informant learned that HENRY MINS was in a discussion with ELLA (JACKSON) at which time the informant learned that EUGENE (JACKSON) was in Adelphi Hospital, as he had a slight coronary last night.

On 4/23/59, TED NORTON, in conversation with MARTHA KAHN, inquired through her, of HENRY (MINS) if LIAM DUNNE could be contacted at the public library. The informant learned that DUNNE is usually at the Donnell Branch, c/o Miss SPINDLER (PH) in the Art Division or at the Printing Division at 42nd Street. However, DUNNE is now in Milford, New Jersey (on vacation?).

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-118425)
FROM : *[Signature]*
SUBJECT: *Martha Kahn*
SECURITY MATTER - C

DATE: 9/8/59

This case is being reopened under the program of investigating all individuals included in the Communist Index in the NYO.

The following minimum investigative steps must be taken:

1. Review file and all pertinent references thoroughly.
2. Contact informants, sources and defected Communists who could be expected to know the subject. Contact for evidence of current activity and also for the sources' evaluation of potential dangerousness.
3. Determine residence and employment. Check against the key facilities and classified contractors lists to insure full and complete dissemination is made. Submit Form FD-128 if the subject has moved to a new field division.
4. If the subject has been a CP drop or ceased activity suddenly, develop information to show the reason. Many of these drops are purely on the basis of theoretical and intellectual differences. The convictions of the persons involved remain unchanged in their hard-core devotion to the principles of international Communism, waiting only for what they consider to be a more favorable climate within ruling Communist circles. It should also be borne in mind constantly that unexplained cessation of Communist activity by a subject may well be based upon a contemplated assignment in espionage or illegal underground activity.

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Chief Clerk: *[Signature]*
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5. Consider interview or reinterview without regard to prior interview results. Bear in mind the Khrushchev revelations of terror under Stalin, anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union and the Hungarian revolt.

6. Secure a current description.

These cases must be given expeditious attention since it will be our responsibility to fully handle the approximately 4232 cases on individuals included in the Communist Index.

In the event reports are submitted in this case, the cover letter (or cover pages) should have the additional caption "Communist Index" after the title.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100- 118425) DATE:
FROM : SA FRANKLIN Z. Bagdy (42)
SUBJECT: MARTHA KAHN
SECURITY MATTER - C

This case has been handled according to Bureau instructions relative to the investigation of individuals included in the Communist Index. The disposition of this case is indicated below by the number (or numbers) circled below.

1. Subject removed from Communist Index.
2. Subject placed on Security Index.
3. Subject developed into Security Informant or Potential Security Informant.
4. Espionage case opened.
5. Subject employed at key facility or by classified contractor.
6. Subject had delicate or sensitive employment or relationship which required additional dissemination in line with FBI'S over-all security responsibilities.
7. Subject retained on Communist Index.
8. Case RUC'd to another office.
9. Subject deceased.
10. Subject being developed as Security Informant, PSI, Panel Source or Confidential Source.
11. Unable to locate after extensive investigation.
12. Miscellaneous (specify, such as SGE case opened because of Federal employment)
- ⑬. Was subject interviewed or not interviewed.
If interviewed, was subject cooperative. 3/14/56 Not Cooperative
14. Indicate any change in residence or employment.
Residence } same
Employment }

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THIS MEMORANDUM MUST BE EXECUTED IN DUPLICATE

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-118425)

DATE: 10/8/59

FROM : SA FRANKLIN Z. BAGDY (#42)

FOIA(b) (7) - (D)

SUBJECT: MARTHA KAHN
SM - C

Re Bureau airtel, 5/19/59, captioned "Security Investigation of Individuals" and memo, 2/12/59, captioned "RCI PROGRAM".

RESIDENCE:


On 10/5/59, by means of a pretext telephone call, by the writer, to subject's residence (CH 3-3967), 250 West 24th Street, NYC (pretext - insurance salesman) was reflected from an unknown woman who identified herself as the subject and advised that she resides at the above address.

EMPLOYMENT:

On 10/5/59, by means of a pretext telephone call to subject's employment, Translations, 130 West 57th Street, NYC (CI 6-1667), reflected from an unknown woman, who advised the subject is employed there and begins work at 9:00 AM. The unknown woman advised to call back after 9:00 AM and the subject would be there. (Pretext - to reach the subject on a personal matter.)

INFORMANTS:

The following informants were contacted on the dates listed and could furnish no information concerning the subject.

Informant	Date Contacted	Contacting Agent
	9/17/59	SA JOHN A. HAAG
	9/21/59	SA JOHN A. HAAG
	9/18/59	SA CHARLES W. CAVANAUGH
	9/18/59	SA CHARLES W. CAVANAUGH
	9/21/59	SA CHARLES W. CAVANAUGH

Chief Clerk:
Close Case on this.
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Informant	Date Contacted	Contacting Agent
[REDACTED]	9/11/59	SA JAMES P. HALLERON
	9/14/59	SA JAMES P. HALLERON
	9/15/59	SA JAMES P. HALLERON

INDICES:

The indices of the NYO were reviewed and contained no pertinent information identifiable with the subject other than that previously reported.

NEW YORK CITY CREDIT BUREAU OF GREATER NEW YORK:

PAULINE DE FIORE advised IC ALFRED G. ENNULAT on 9/15/59, that there is no information in subject's file that has not already been reported.

[REDACTED] advised SA VINCENT F. CLANCY on 9/21/59, that there is no information in the subject's file other than that previously reported.

INTERVIEW:

Subject was interviewed on 3/14/56, and was not cooperative with Bureau Agents.

RECOMMENDATION:

Subject's CP activity does not warrant her inclusion on the Security Index. In view of the above, it is felt that there is no reasonable basis to believe that the subject would be receptive to Bureau contact at this time, and it is recommended that this case be placed in a closed status pending receipt of information that would warrant additional investigation.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-140528-E) (421) DATE: 6/7/60

FROM: SA WILLIAM A. FLYNN, JR. (421) FOIA(b) (7) - (D)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL, SANE WESTCHESTER
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1 - [REDACTED]

1 - New York (100-136706) (HUGO MARTONE) (421)

1 - New York (100-80775) (AL WARREN) (421)

1 - New York (100-43035) (ANN WARREN) (421)

1 - New York (100-139439) (LEE NOVICK) (421)

1 - New York (100-89760) (ESTHER OSTROW) (421)

1 - New York (100-) (DEAN SCHNEIDER) (421)

1 - New York (100-137279) (GLORIA KARP) (421)

1 - New York (100-) (PETER BRANDON) (421)

1 - New York (100-105448) (MANUEL POUSADA) (421)

1 - New York (100-) (IRVING AMES) (421)

1 - New York (100-) (JOHN NORRIS) (421)

1 - New York (100-) (MARTHA KAHN) (421)

1 - New York (100-) (JOSHUA LEVINSON) (421)

1 - New York (100-) (PAULINE BRODY) (421)

1 - New York (100-) (JACK NOVICK) (421)

1 - New York (100-) (FNU GOTTWITZ) (421)

1 - New York (100-) (ADA CROTIN) (421)

1 - New York (100-) (FNU LUBEN) (421)

1 - New York (100-) (FNU HARTH) (421)

1 - New York (100-) (FNU OTTERSTEIN) (421)

1 - New York (100-) (FNU SCHWARTZ) (421)

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Identity of Source

[redacted] who has furnished
reliable info in the past
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Description of info

Meeting held at the home of
AL WARREN of SANE, 5/4/60

Date Received

5/12/60

Received by

SA WILLIAM A. FLYNN, JR.
(Written)

Original Located

[redacted]

A copy of informant's report follows:

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May 4, 1960
Wednesday

A meeting was held at the home of AL WARREN, located on Dutch Street in Montrose, New York. [REDACTED]

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The meeting was rather informal and ESTHER OSTROW gave a financial report, stating that the balance in the treasury was about \$30.00 and mentioned the expenditures for 2,000 leaflets.

HUGO MARTONE commended LEE NOVICK for chairing the last meeting in a satisfactory manner and mentioned to AL WARREN that he had done a nice job in organizing the leaflet distributions in front of the Paramount Theatre.

AL WARREN remarked that DEAN SCHNEIDER seemed to have a good attitude and helped him pass out leaflets, he believed, on Monday evening. LEE NOVICK said she didn't know, as she did feel that DEAN SCHNEIDER was somewhat distant at one time but that was only her feelings.

HUGO MARTONE said that the leaflet distribution should be followed up by another meeting, perhaps in the form of a symposium and that the picture, "On The Beach" should be discussed, inasmuch as the impact of this picture still remains with the people who saw the picture. All agreed that this should be done. AL WARREN suggested a general meeting for the 25th of May and the general agreement was that the Presbyterian Recreation Hall would be rented out for that occasion. AL WARREN agreed to contact Reverend BARFORD for the reservation.

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HUGO MARTONE said that the meeting should also be centered around the Summit meeting and ESTHER OSTROW agreed that this should be done. HUGO MARTONE agreed to call GLORIA KARP at the Westchester County level and ask her to provide a qualified speaker who can speak on the Summit Meeting. HUGO MARTONE asked ESTHER OSTROW to include other organizations on the mailing list and referred to a letter he had received from the National or New York Committee, in which it stated that several organizations were participating in a Peace Caravan. ESTHER OSTROW agreed to do this and LEE NOVICK said that not too many of the mentioned organizations were in that area. LEE NOVICK said that the ADA (CROTON) was rather active and she could contact a few people and mentioned the names, LUBEN, HARTH and another name which may have been OTTERSTEIN (?).

During the conversation, LEE NOVICK mentioned the name of PETER BRANDON and remarked that PETER BRANDON was being tutored by MANNIE.

The next Executive Meeting was scheduled for May 11th and AL WARREN called IRVING AMES and asked if the meeting could be held at his house. LEE NOVICK mentioned that she had spoken to JOHN NORRIS and that he purchased a ticket to the Madison Square Garden Meeting but he is somewhat busy, as he is to be one of the directors of the Cancer Research in Westchester.

HUGO MARTONE asked ESTHER OSTROW what the "For Rent" sign was in front of her house and ESTHER OSTROW said that the people who rent are moving out of the downstairs apartment on the 15th. ESTHER OSTROW remarked that MARTHA KAHN has rented an apartment for \$150 a month and that it was a four room apartment.

ESTHER OSTROW remarked that there would be a party given by MARTHA KAHN the coming weekend and JOSHUA LEVINSON, Mrs. BRODY and GOTTWITZ (?) would be there and LEVINSON is a dentist and is the brother to SAM LEVINSON the comedian.

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AL WARREN mentioned that the Vets had a fellow from Cuba who spoke about 2 weeks ago and ESTHER OSTROW mentioned that the President (may have been referring to her union) Mr. SCHWARTZ had been to Cuba and Puerto Rica this past summer and he is well informed and he predicts that the next place there will be trouble is Formosa.

AL WARREN remarked that everyone thought that the European satellites would have trouble but it looks like our own satellites are the ones who are having problems.

LEE NOVICK mentioned that her husband, JACK, came from Hudson, New York and told her a story one time about the American Legion in Hudson and how they had attacked Mental Health and it turned out that there were only 15 active people in this Legion, so 5 people from Hudson joined the American Legion and they were able to influence the entire Post, as there were about 10 of the 15 active members who just followed what the other 5 did. LEE NOVICK said she didn't quite go along with penetrating organizations that way but it seemed to work. LEE NOVICK spoke of the sit-downs and said her faith has been restored, as they are all for the sit-downs.

ANN WARREN said a few words about an article in the New York Times pertaining to bacteriological warfare and the conversation moved to Civil Defense.

HUGO MARTONE remarked that there was an excellent article in The World Telegram that day on the Civil Defense Alert and ESTHER OSTROW spoke of some work she was doing for Civil Defense for Nassau County and there was about 20 pages to type at a cost of about \$2.00 a page.

LEE NOVICK mentioned that it wouldn't or maybe it wouldn't be too difficult to get ELEANOR ROOSEVELT to speak around here, as she is going to speak at Lake Mahopac in the near future.

LEE NOVICK remarked that most of the people who are in the

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American Legion are people who never saw any real action and HUGO MARTONE agreed and followed through that veterans were getting too much and knew of people who were collecting disability pension for non-service connected disabilities.

AL WARREN remarked that he was getting at one time 19 per cent disability and now it's been reduced to 10 per cent and didn't care if he didn't get anything.

HUGO MARTONE mentioned to ESTHER OSTROW that he had been around her way, around 42nd and 9th Avenue and thought of stopping in to see her. ESTHER OSTROW said that she was in Room 404 in the Paramount Building. ESTHER OSTROW also remarked that they are trying to get the Union to support the Cuban Revolution and now have to answer them by letter on a question that had been posed to them.

ESTHER OSTROW mentioned the expenditure of \$2.20 for two night letters sent to Congressman BARRY and DOOLEY.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK

DATE: 11/4/60

FROM :

SUBJECT:

Supervisors 424
Martha Kahn 100-118425
SM-C
 This Reserve Index case is being reopened to conduct the following investigation:

1. Verify residence and employment.
2. Conduct an indices search and file review to determine whether investigation is warranted at this time or whether an interview with the individual is deemed desirable.
3. If additional investigation is conducted or if there is unreported information of a subversive nature contained in the files, a report must be submitted.

Designate for Section A of the Reserve Index those individuals whose subversive activities do not bring them within the Security Index criteria but who, in a time of national emergency, are in a position to influence others against the national interest or are likely to furnish material financial aid to subversive elements due to their subversive associations and ideologies.

Included in Section A will be those individuals falling within the following categories:

1. Professors, teachers and educators.
2. Labor union organizers or leaders.
3. Writers, lecturers, newsmen, entertainers and others in the mass media field.
4. Lawyers, doctors and scientists.
5. Other potentially influential persons on a local or national level.
6. Individuals who could potentially furnish material financial aid.

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Forms will be available to recommend the inclusion of the individual's name in Section A of the Reserve Index. These forms will contain a succinct summary, setting forth the basis for recommendation. If no report accompanies the recommendation, a statement to that effect should appear on the page containing the succinct summary. Investigations of individuals listed in Section A are to be brought up to date annually and they are to be considered for Security Index status or retention in the Reserve Index. Changes in residence and employment will be submitted to the Bureau.

The administrative handling of the reopening of these cases will be similar to that in the case of annual reports on SI subjects. Section B of the Reserve Index will be the names of the remaining individuals in the Reserve Index who are not in Section A.

The revised standards for inclusion of names in the Reserve Index are:

1. Membership in a basic revolutionary organization subsequent to January 1, 1949, together with some indication of sympathy or association with such an organization or a subversive front organization subsequent to the reported membership and no reliable evidence of defection.
2. Investigation has failed to substantiate allegations of membership in a revolutionary organization within the past five years, coupled with some evidence or information indicating activity, association or sympathy for the subversive cause within the same period, and no reliable evidence of defection.
3. The individual, within the past five years, by his associations, writings, financial support or conduct in relation to and support of subversive organizations or the international communist movement is in a position to influence others at the time of a national emergency and no reliable evidence of defection.
4. Leadership or substantial activities in a major subversive front group over three years ago, together with some evidence of continuing activity, association or sympathy for the subversive cause within three years and no reliable evidence of defection.
5. Membership in a subversive front organization within the past three years and no reliable evidence of defection.

In handling this case the Agent should insure that the description appearing on the Reserve Index card is correct and should complete a form NY 125. Every closing memo, letter or report should be routed to the SI Unit with NY 125 attached.

TO: CHIEF CLERK

Date

11/17

Subject

MARTHA KAHN aka MRS. ISIDORE KAHN

Aliases

MARTHA LEPOWSKY; MARTHA LIPAVSKI

Address

250 W 24 ST, NYC

Birth Date

1/29/02

Birthplace

BKLYN, NY

Race

White

Sex

☐ Male ☒ Female

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Exact Spelling

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, N.Y. (100-118425)

DATE: 1/28/61

FROM : SA Jean E. Bully (424)

SUBJECT: MARTHA KAHN
SM-C
OO: N.Y.

RE MEMO of Supv. 424 dated 11/4/60

RECOMMENDATIONIt is recommended that the subject
be included on RI 'B'.BASIS FOR RECOMMENDATIONSubject was a CP member in 1949; she
taught at the J.S.S.S., 1947-1949; she was a
member of the IWO 1952; registered a preference
for HLP 1949-53.Interview

Subject refused to be interviewed

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Chief Clerk:
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on 3/14/56. There is no indication of a change in subject's attitude since 1956.

DETAILS

On 1/28/61 subject was telephonically contacted, by SA Reilly, on the pretext that she was listed as a reference by a job applicant who formerly worked under her at TRANSLATIONS. Subject furnished her residence as 250 W. 24th ST, NYC. and stated she was not working at the present time. Subject stated that she left TRANSLATIONS a little over one year ago.

A review of the subject's case file and the NYO indices fail to reflect any unreported substantive subversive information.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, CHICAGO

DATE: 2/10/61

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO ABOLISH HCUA
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1 - Chicago (100-) (CHICAGO COMM. TO DEFEND BILL OF RIGHTS) (RM)
1 - Mobile (100-824) (AUBREY WILLIAMS) (RM)
1 - Los Angeles (100-) (LA COMM. FOR PRESERVATION OF BILL OF RIGHTS) (RM)
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1 - New York (100-10769) (NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD) (41) (P.4)
1 - New York (100-) (STANLEY FAULKNER) () (P.4)
1 - New York (100-93787) (PAUL ROSS) (424) (P.4)
1 - New York (100-138313) (SANDRA ROSENBLOOM) () (P.4)
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 1 - New York (100-90750) (RUSS NIXON) (424) (P.4)
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A copy of informant's report follows:

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January 15, 1961

Report of a regular meeting of the New York Council to Abolish the House Un-American Activities Committee (NYCAHUAC) on Saturday morning (10:am-4p.m.), 1/7/61, at 11 E. 51st Street, New York City.

The following people were present:

1. Dr. OTTO NATHAN - acting chairman for the meeting
2. ABE UNGER - National Lawyers Guild
3. ED MELAMED or MELAMIK (sounds like) National Lawyers Guild
4. STANLEY FAULKNER - National Lawyers Guild
6. SANDRA ROSENBLOOM - Youth Committee to Abolish the HCUA
7. JOANNE GRANT
8. BERTHA ROMANOFF (sounds like)
9. LEONA ABRAMS - Teacher's Union
10. ALICE LNU
11. VIRGINIA EPSTEIN - American-Soviet Friendship Committee and Women's International League for Peace
12. JOHN RANDOLPH
13. CHARLES FITZGERALD-Bronx Committee for Civil Liberties (BCLC_
14. BABETTE JONES
15. BELLA ALTSHULER (BCLC)
16. FRANK WILKINSON
17. JOHN CRANE (SYLVIA CRANE's husband)
18. Rev. HOWARD MELISH
19. SARA WELLER (Mrs. BERNARD WELLER)
20. BERNARD (BERNIE) WELLER
21. ANN SWELLINGER (sounds like, wife of JOE SWELLINGER)
22. Rev. LEE BALL (Religious Freedom Committee)
23. JOE SWELLINGER
24. BILL PRICE
25. CHAROLETTE POMERANTZ (sounds like)
26. MARTHA KAHN (sounds like, represented, she said, Teacher's Union in the morning)
27. ROSEMARY DAVOLI - Youth Committee to Abolish HUAC)
28. RUSS NIXON

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- 29. SIMONE LNU - American-Soviet Friendship Committee
- 30. SYLVIA CRANE
- 31. Mrs. RUTH FRANCE - Religious Freedom Committee

FRANK WILKINSON opened the meeting by outlining the progress up-to-date-relative to the abolition campaign.

As of this date, he said, 1,000,000 copies of Cong. ROOSEVELT's speech on abolition of the HUAC have been distributed throughout the country. Many committees, he stated, have been formed throughout the United States.

The immediate job, he reported, of the (NYCAHUAC) and similar committees is to get congressional support for abolition, if unable to do that, he said, then try to secure New York congressional support for a public hearing on appropriations for HUAC as outlined in Congressman JAMES ROOSEVELT's letter, 12/31/60 to his colleagues in the Congress.

Ask, FRANK said, the Congressman to participate in the hearings and then ask him to make his testimony public. Ask, he said the Congressman to either speak against the HUAC, vote against it, or abstain from voting.

Also, he stated, the labor movement must be asked to involve themselves actively in the campaign for abolition.

As FRANK was taking pictures taken at the Washington, D.C. demonstration by BILL PRICE, were circulated. The pictures showed individuals, including a little girl wearing Nazi armbands. This group, as the pictures disclosed, were supporting the HUAC. One picture showed a man, referred to by many in the room as a Nazi, carrying a sign stating that only Jews and Communists were for the abolition of the HUAC.

It was decided to have reprints made of this particular picture and have them given wide circulation.

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ED MELAMED or MELAMIK (sounds like) asked FRANK if the New York group had to take the same names as the National Committee to Abolish the Un-American Committee (NCAUAC).

FRANK felt it necessary to clarify the position of the NCAUAC on this question.

First of all, he stated, it was decided by the Los Angeles Committee for the Preservation of the Bill of Rights that he, FRANK WILKINSON, become a full-time field representative of the NCAUAC and the Los Angeles group would pay his salary and the rent of the office in Washington, D.C. All other committees, he said, must pay his expenses, including telephone calls, while he is working with them.

FRANK stated that DOROTHY MARSHALL, AUBREY WILLIAM and the other officers of the NCAUAC would not mind if the New York Council wish to have their names on the New York Council letterheads. He implied, however, that the New York Council elect its own officers.

Also, in this connection, he said, the NCAUAC does not desire nor does it have the means to create and control organizations throughout the country. Their purpose, he stated, was to coordinate the nationwide campaign for abolition.

He also reported that it took him and others close to 7 years to get the Chicago Committee to Defend the Bill of Rights to wholly embrace an abolition campaign.

FRANK urged distribution of Cong. ROOSEVELT's letter of 12/31/60 to his congressional colleagues. He stated that the Chicago Committee had agreed to reproduce copies of the letter at cost. He urged wide distribution of the recent ad in the Washington Post. They cost, he said, \$3 per 1000. Also, he urged wide distribution of a booklet of editorials produced by the NCAUAC; \$.25 a copy.

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RUSS NIXON reported on the progress of the New York Council. He congratulated BERNIE WELLER for his work along with SANDRA ROSENBLOOM, OTTO NATHAN and SYLVIA CRANE.

RUSS asked the representatives of the National Lawyers Guild if they would begin to think of effective ways for handling cases which might be brought before the HUAC and the subsequent possibility of the individuals being cited for contempt. Some means, he said, must be found for the effective and successful handling of these cases. STANLEY FAULKNER agreed to prepare a program along those lines. PAUL ROSS remarked that he was very busy but will be willing to serve in an advisory capacity.

Visits to Congressmen were discussed. OTTO NATHAN reported that he had lunched with Congressman EMANUEL CELLER but it was not too hopeful. CELLER, he said, had told him that he is having a difficult time with many members of his own House Judiciary Committee.

BABETTE JONES stated that she would visit Cong. JAMES C. HEALEY, Bronx.

JOANNE and SYLVIA stated that they would visit Cong. ADAM C. POWELL.

CHARLEY FITZGERALD suggested that the New York Council agree on an approach to Congressmen namely the suggested by Cong. CELLER that he would move to have the activities of the HUAC transferred to the House Judiciary Committee.

OTTO NATHAN opposed this idea; PAUL ROSS supported it, but nothing definite came of it.

As to approaches to organizations, JOHN RANDOLPH stated that he was a member of Actors Equity and he had

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attended a meeting recently where he was not too confident as to whether or not, he should called for support of abolition of the HUAC by Actors Equity. The membership, he said, would have probably supported such a resolution but the Executive Board of Actors Equity, headed by RALPH BELLAMY would have voted against it. The Executive Board, he stated, has complete control over the organization. Besides, he said, RALPH BELLAMY is a close and good friend of J. EDGAR HOOVER and this is the main reason for RALPH's opposition to abolition.

However, JOHN RANDOLPH, reported, that he shortly expects to be elected to the Executive Board of Actor's Equity and, at that time, he will see what can be accomplished relative to abolition.

JOHN RANDOLPH offered his services for free in any future fund raising event and he will, he stated, try to get other performers to participate.

His remarks were warmly received. After a short break for lunch, the meeting was continued. This section of the meeting was devoted to organizational matters.

SYLVIA CRANE moved that the New York Council formally be called the NYCAHUAC. It was unanimously agreed to do this.

ABE UNGER phrased the motion and included in it that a specific number of officers be elected to carry out the program of the NYCAHUAC.

OTTO NATHAN and RUSS NIXON were unanimously elected co-chairmen of the NYCHUAC.

The exact number of vice-chairman was not determined. BERNIE WELLER was elected 1st Vice-Chairman.

Rev. LEE BALL elected Treasurer_

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SANDRA ROSENBLOOM elected Secretary. The post of Executive Secretary was not officially filled. BERTHA ROMANOFF at RUSS NIXON's suggestion was elected office worker. RUSS added that she would be paid and might possibly become the Executive Secretary.

Finance Committee will be chaired by JOE SWELLINGER. LEONA ABRAMS and BABETTE JONES would be members of this committee.

Legal Aid Committee headed by STANLEY FAULKNER.

The Committee to Contact Organizations and Trade Unions would beheaded by SYLVIA CRANE and ANN SWELLINGER. BELLA ALTSHULER and MARTHA KAHN will also be members.

Press and Publicity will be handled by BILL PRICE and JOANNE GRANT. If a special event is necessary, it was decided that BILL will work directly with RUSS NIXON.

Special Affairs Committee, fund raising in the main, headed by JOHN RANDOLPH and SYLVIA CRANE.

ABE UNGER moved that the co-chairman and the vice-chairman would be considered the Executive Board of the NYCAHUAC). Motion was carried. ABE also moved that they be empowered to rent an office and to pay the office worker. Motion was carried.

VIRGINIA asked that a representative of the Youth Committee be elected to an official post.

ED asked why the "youth" had to have a separate organization.

OTTO suggested that the "youth" drop their committee.

SANDY (SANDRA) stated that the Youth Committee to Abolish HUAC) is an independent organization. It is not part of the NYCAHUAC and never has been. She stated that she wants the Youth Committee to continue in this way.

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Both RUSS and FRANK affirmed her position and suggested that attempts to incorporate the Youth Committee to Abolish HUAC be dropped.

SANDY reported that at present she is the only officer of the Youth Committee but she expects shortly to call for formal election of officers.

ABE UNGER moved that the Youth Committee is an independent organization of the NYCAHUAC but that it be encouraged to use, at all time, the offices and services of the NYCAHUAC. Motion was unanimously carried.

OTTO moved that a yearly budget of \$10,000 be approved. Motion was carried.

Time allocated for fund raising must be kept at a minimum, RUSS and SYLVIA requested.

JOE proposed that a sustaining membership fee of \$10 per month be one of the ways to raise money for operating expenses.

BERNIE reported that since September, 1960, a sum of \$3500 was raised. \$1500, he said, was received in the mail. There is an excess, he stated, of \$500. remaining. This money and all monies will shortly be turned over to Rev. LEE BALL, he said.

Next meeting of NYCAHUAC will be on Tuesday evening, 1/17/61, at 11 East 51st Street, New York Ctty.

SIMONE or SIMONET - male, late 40's, Caucasian, 170-175 lbs., 5'9", oval faced, grey or brown eyes, possible thin mustache, wears eye-glasses, friend of VIRGINIA EPSTEIN, believed to be a member of American-Soviet Friendship Committee.

ALICE LNU - female, middle or late 40's, 155 lbs., 5'4", chubby faced, grey eyes, reddish hair, mixed with dark strands, lives in Brooklyn, New York.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-142201) ⁴²¹ DATE: 3/15/61

FROM: SA JOHN P. DI MARCHI (421)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE
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January 23, 1961

Report of a regular meeting of the New York Council to Abolish the House Committee on Un-American Activities (NYCAHUAC) on Tuesday evening, 1/17/61, at 11 E. 51st Street, New York City.

The following were some of the 22 people present:

1. RUSS NIXON - co-chairman
2. Dr. OTTO NATHAN - co-chairman
3. BERTHA ROMANOFF (sounds like) - paid office worker of NYCAHUAC
4. JOANNE GRANT
5. FRANK WILKINSON
6. SANDRA (SANDY) ROSENBLOOM - Secretary
7. DOROTHY MILLER
8. BELLA ALTSHULER
9. CHARLES FITZGERALD
10. MARTHA KAHN (sounds like)
11. SYLVIA CRANE
12. CAROL BURRER
13. LEE SYLVIN
14. ROSEMARY DAVOLI
15. BILL PRICE

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16. STANLEY FAULKNER
17. ABE UNGER
18. LEONA ABRAMS
19. BABETTE JONES
20. SARA WELLER

STANLEY FAULKNER reported that the Legal Defense Committee of the NYCAHUAC is prepared to provide a lawyer without the cost of a legal fee, to any individual who as a result of the individual's work with the NYCAHUAC is haled before a congressional committee. The individual, he stated, does not have to be a member of the NYCAHUAC in order to have a lawyer for free. There will be a panel of seven (7) lawyers, he said, for a person to choose from. The individual will only be required, he reported, to pay out of pocket expenses for the attorney.

ABE, BELLA, and some others wanted the proposal to cover any and all persons called before any congressional committee. Their requests did not receive a favorable response.

RUSS NIXON applauded this report of STANLEY as a significant step toward limiting the HUAC's power of calling arbitrary witnesses before it.

STANLEY pointed out that the lawyer's services were free of charge as related to congressional hearings. Relative to possible court trials other arrangements would have to be made, he stated.

RUSS asked for a review of the latest and future congressional contacts. He urged those present not to accept as face value the evasive answers of the congressman. RUSS praised the work of the Bronx Committee for Civil Liberties (BCLC) in this regard. However, he said, the BCLC needs help in the Bronx because it is a big county.

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RUSS stated that when a Congressman attempts to evade the request to vote against the HUAC by stating that his hands may be tied because Congressman WALTER is head of the Immigration and Naturalization Committee and the Congressman has to make deals with WALTER. RUSS stated that people should be reminded that WALTER is an enemy of the foreign born.

RUSS also pointed out that it is practically impossible to accomplish an effective appropriation fight against the HUAC because of the time element. Later on, he stated, future plans will have to be developed.

FRANK reported that between 30-40,000 copies of Cong. ROOSEVELT's letter to his colleagues (12/31/60) have been distributed.

RUSS reported that the NYCAHUAC office is located at 150 W. 34th Street, New York City, Room #442. BERTHA ROMANOFF stated that the telephone will be listed under the title of Council to Abolish HUAC.

BILL PRICE reported that press releases were sent to 162 papers, 102 of which were Jewish publications. Included in the release, he said, were pictures of the Nazis at the Washington, D.C. demonstration, 1/2/61, carrying placards stating that "Only Jews and Communists oppose the HUAC."

STANLEY asked for copies of these Nazi photos because he is speaking at a High School assembly program in the near future and he wanted to show the young people just who supports the HUAC. The speaking engagement, he stated, is an annual affair for him.

LEONA ABRAMS reported that, so far, she managed to get four people to make sustainer fees for the support of the NYCAHUAC. She said that she had \$60. on her person that she wished to turn over to the Council. She also reported that a house party will shortly be held to raise funds for the Council.

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OTTO NATHAN reported that the next meeting of the Council will be held in two weeks, possibly on a Saturday afternoon. A Saturday, he stated, will permit the Council to devote more time to its meeting and plans for the future.

SYLVIA CRANE reported that an ad calling for the abolition of the HUAC will shortly appear in the New York Times.

MELVYN DOUGLAS, the actor, she said, has mailed out requests for funds for this ad.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES

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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK

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Report of a regular meeting of the New York Council to Abolish the House Un-American Activities Committee (NYCAHUAC) on Wednesday evening, 3/22/61, at 11 East 51st Street, New York City.

The following were some of the 30 -odd persons present:

1. OTTO NATHAN - chaired the meeting
2. SANDRA (SANDY) ROSENBLOOM - took minutes
3. BELLA ALTSHULER
4. CAROL BUHRER - college student from Queens College
5. MIKE HUMBLE (sounds like) supposed to be a college student from Queens
6. CHARLES FITZGERALD
7. ANN ZWILLINGER
8. JOE ZWILLINGER
9. SARAH WELLER
10. BERNIE WELLER
11. SYLVIA CRANE
12. BERTHA ROMANOFF (sounds like)
13. ROSEMARY DAVOLI
14. JOANNE GRANT
15. STANLEY FAULKNER
16. MARTHA KAHN
17. JOHN CRANE
18. JOHN RANDOLPH
19. ABE UNGER
20. PETER HALL LEE (sounds like)
21. JOE COTTON or CADDEN or din (sounds like)
22. RUTH FRANCE
23. BILL PRICE
24. CHARLOTTE POMERANTZ
25. JOHN SCHRYDER (sounds like) student from Yale University supposedly.

OTTO announced that it had been decided to send a letter to over 400 prominent signers of abolition petitions requesting that they sponsor an abolition meeting in New York City on Friday,

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4/21/61. The letter was drafted in the main by SYLVIA CRANE, he stated, and will be signed by AUBREY WILLIAMS, CLARENCE PICKETT, ALGERNON BLACK, and JOHN HOLMES HAINES or JOHN HAINES HOLMES.

However, he reported the NYCAHUAC and the Youth Committee to Abolish HUAC will handle all the details of the meeting.

The meeting will be held on Friday, 4/21/61, he said, and will be held at St. Nicholas Arena, Town Hall, Ethical Culture Hall or some similar place.

OTTO reported that the net proceeds would be divided between the families of FRANK WILKINSON and CARL BRADEN, and maybe a little of it to some of the 1st amendment cases.

He stated that the scheduled speakers for the meeting would be Dr. WILLIARD UPHAUS, FRANK WILKINSON, CARL BRADEN. They were, he reported, trying to secure someone who has not been publicly associated with abolition. BROOKS ATKINSON of the New York Time, he said, is the type they are seeking as a final speaker for the 4/21/61 meeting.

RUTH FRANCE proposed that Bishop LORD of the National Council of Churches be contacted and a Bishop WICKE of New York City be contacted.

OTTO reported that he would chair the meeting of 4/21/61. PETE SEEGER, he said, told him earlier in the day, that he would if possible entertain at the meeting. PETE and his lawyers, OTTO said, requested that PETE's participation in the meeting not be announced publicly because it might jeopardize PETE's trial which is scheduled to begin shortly.

BILL PRICE, JOANNE GRANT, BERNIE WELLER and anyone else who desires to work with them, OTTO stated, will handle publicity.

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OTTO reported that RUTH FRANCE stated that the NYCAHUAC could use the Religious Freedom's Committee's mailing list for the 4/21/61 meeting.

BELLA reported that her Bronx Committee would mail out 1500 letters for the 4/21/61 meeting.

OTTO stated that the NYCAHUAC is in strong need for a full-time office worker on a paying basis.

It was decided to have SARAH WELLER and BERTHA ROMANOFF work for no fee, on a part-time basis until a full-time paid employee could be secured.

OTTO announced that a small committee would meet shortly to finalize the plans of the 4/21/61 meeting.

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES

DATE: 5/22/61

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 - (1-...)(DONALD C. WHEEDLIN)
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 - (1-PAUL ROSENKRANTZ)
 - 2 - Buffalo (SIDNEY INGERMAN)(INFO)(RM)
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[redacted] stated that he had obtained these names and addresses from envelopes [redacted]. He stated that these envelopes contained tickets for the rally to be held at the St. Nicholas Sports Arena, NYC, on 4/21/61. [redacted]

[redacted] advised on 5/8/61, that he did not know the significance of this list of names and addresses except that they were the persons to whom tickets were mailed for the rally on 4/21/61. [redacted]

The list of names and addresses, as provided by [redacted] is being filed in [redacted]

Concerning [redacted] he has requested that his identity be concealed and he should be characterized as having furnished insufficient information to determine his reliability. [redacted]

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The names and addresses of those receiving
blue tickets are as follows:

Stanley Faulkner
9 East 40th Street
New York 16, N.Y.

Joanne Grant
c/o National Guardian
197 E. 4th Street
New York

Rev. William H. Melish
905 St. Marks Avenue
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Robert Gwathmey
27 Washington Square No.
New York

? Glassgold
Hotel Chelsea
22 W. 23 Street
New York

Nick Friedman
1232 Bay Park Place
Far Rockaway, New York

Mr. & Mrs. Jay Gluncy (Gouncy)
905 West End Ave.
New York

John Randolph
561 W. 163 St
New York

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Babette Jones
1455 Fulton Ave.
Bronx 56, New York

Bess Horowitz
50 Riverside Dr.
New York

Peter Hawley
10 Pershing St.
Yonkers, N.Y.

Fred Harte
166 E. (1)96th Street
New York

Bella Altschuler
2731 Barker Avenue
Bronx, New York

John O. Crane
315 W. 106 Street
New York

Virginia H. Epstein
4520 156 Street
Flushing 55, N.Y.

Charles Fitzgerald
2731 Barker Avenue
Bronx, New York

Abraham Unger
320 Broadway
New York 17, N.Y.

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Simone Unger
310 Riverside Drive
New York

Bernard Weller
1068 Brook Ave
Bronx, New York

Joseph Zwillinger
2575 Palisades Ave.
New York

Bertha Romanoff
502 West 122 Street
New York

Joseph Cadden
263 West End Ave.
New York

Dr. Otto Nathan
The Brittany
55 E. 10th St.
New York

Leona Abrams
11 Riverside Dr.
New York

George Auerbach
219-28 113th Ave.
Queens 29, New York

Carol Buh(e)r
2616 Union Street
Flushing, N.Y.

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Ann Bordan
270 West End Ave.
New York

Lee Dlugin
1410782 Shore Drive
Jamaica, New York

Ruth C. France
Religious Freedom Comm.
118 E. 28 St.
New York

Sandra Rosenblum
106 E. 208 St (106 E. 208 is former office of
Youth to Abolish HUAC)
Bronx 67, N.Y.

Aubrey Williams
c/o So. Farmer
Box 509
Montgomery, Alabama

Martha Kahn
250 West 24 St.
New York

Rose Marie Davoli
2705 Colden Avenue
Bronx 69, New York

Ben Rathny
30 W. 60 Street
New York 23, N.Y.

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Henry Rogozin
305 Riverside Dr.
New York

Dr. & Mrs. Sam Niedrug
224 E. 68 Street
New York

Herman Scherum
92 Remson St.
Brooklyn, New York

Dorothy Schaener
895 West End Ave.
New York

Rose Rubin
299 Riverside Drive
New York

Phyllis Taub
Toni Stern
Marilyn Richardson
Sarah Lawrence College
Bronxville, New York

Dr. Ben Segal
126 E. 64 Street
New York

Ruth A. Villency
2 Wash. Sq. Village
New York

Rose Flannel
315 W. 106 St.
New York

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Donald C. Wheedlin
145 Hurlbut Street
Pasadena, California

Pauline Feuer
132 Pythian Avenue
Hawthorne, N.Y.

Hugo DeGregory
Moody Street
Hudson,

Dr. Bernard Deutch
1020 Baltimore Pike
1020 Baltimore Pike
Springfield, Pa.

Dr. Chandler Davis
401 Wayland Ave.
Providence 6, R.I.

Mr. Carl Braden
4403 Virginia Avenue
Louisville 11, Ky.

Rev. Lee Ball
11 Forest Blvd.
Ardsley, N.Y.

John T. Gojack
1465 West 7th Ave.
Columbus 12, Ohio

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Rev. Theodore R. Gibson
2481 Hibiscus
Miami, Fla.

Robert Lehrey
1372 Mation St.
Denver 18, Colorado

Herman Liveright
540 W. Springfield Rd.
Springfield, Pa.

Dr. Will. Uphaus
66 Edgewood Avenue
New Haven, Conn.

Arthur McPhaul
143 Hazelwood
Detroit, Mich.

Harvey O'Connor
Little Compton, R.I.

Edwin Alexander
2211 East 67th St. (69th St.?)
Chicago 17, Ill.

Rev. Leon Lowry
900 North Delaware Avenue
Tampa, Fla.

Norton Russell
1540 Presidents Street
Yellow Springs, Ohio

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Edward Lillin
715 South Foley
Champaign, Ill.

Mrs. Goldie Watson
1529 West Girard Ave.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Mary Knowles
Forest Lane
Malverne, Pa.

Sidney Ingerman
163 Hedley Place
Buffalo, N.Y.

Frank Wilkenson
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Frank W. Grumman
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Alfred J. Samter
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Miami, Fla.

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Kenmore, N.Y.

Peter Seeger
Dutchess Junction
Beacon, N.Y.

Paul Rosenkrantz
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Springfield, Mass.

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MARTHA KAHN

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Address

250 W. 24TH ST. NYC

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☐ Female

☐ Exact Spelling

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Report of a regular meeting of the New York Council to Abolish the House Un-American Activities Committee (NYCAHUAC), on Monday evening, 5/8/61, at the Sheraton Atlantic, Parlor "C", 34th St. and 6th Avenue, New York City.

Parlor "C" was registered under the name of DOROTHY MILLER.

The following were most of the approximately 35 persons present.

1. OTTO NATHAN
2. RUSS NIXON
3. SANDRA (SANDY) ROSENBLOOM
4. DOROTHY MILLER
5. JOANNE GRANT
6. RUTH FRANCE
7. SYLVIA CRANE
8. BELLA ALTSHULER
9. CHARLEY FITZGERALD
10. CAROL BUHR
11. MIKE GUMBLE
12. JOE ZWILLINGER
13. ANN ZWILLINGER
14. SARAH WELER
15. BERNIE WELER
16. Rev. HOWARD MELISH
17. Rev. LEE BALL
18. BERTHA ROMANOFF
19. ROSEMARY DAVOLI
20. BILL PRICE
21. LLOYD BARENBLATT
22. CHARLOTTE POMERANTZ
23. STANELY FAULKNER
24. ABE UNGER
25. MARTHA KAHN
25. BABETTE JONES
27. JOHN RANDOLPH
28. PETER HALL LEE (sounds like)
29. SIMON UNGAR (SIMON sounds SEE MON)
30. HARRY LEN SKI (sounds like)

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OTTO reported that he had been in Atlanta with both FRANK WILKINSON and CARL BRADEN right up to the time that they had been taken to prison. He read a letter that had been sent by FRANK from prison to the Council.

CHARLOTTE reported that she also had been in Atlanta with FRANK and CARL. She stated that she had gone with them to a Negro college in Atlanta for a celebration. Rev. MARTIN LUTHER KING and DIRK STRUIK amongst others had also been present to praise both FRANK and CARL.

Rev. MELISH reported that he had been in Atlanta also but that he was attending meetings of the Southern Education Conference. He stated that he didn't think it would have been too wise to publicly associate himself with FRANK and CARL in Atlanta. However, he said, he visited with FRANK in FRANK's hotel room. He told the group that FRANK was one of the finest and bravest men he had ever met.

RUSS reported that one of the purposes of the meeting was to concretize the (NYCAHUAC).

After much discussion, it was generally agreed to have the co-chairmen and a few others to undertake the study of having the Council to secure sponsors of the NYCAHUAC and to seek additional vice-chairmen who would actively head various areas of the Council's work.

PETER HALL LEE proposed that the Council open up the Council to general membership.

SYLVIA CRANE opposed this proposal. HOWARD MELISH was also in opposition to this idea.

2. After he had spoken, it was generally agreed not to have a membership Council.

RUSS NIXON reported that the Council had need of an executive-secretary.

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SYLVIA CRANE proposed BOB IMBRIE, son of JAMES IMBRIE. She stated that BOB IMBRIE had been a manager of the Princeton Inn but had been fired because of his active opposition to the HUAC in the abolition campaign. She said that BOB had many fine connections and he would be an ideal executive-secretary.

It was agreed to strongly consider BOB IMBRIE for the job.

Rev. LEE BALL reported that he introduced the resolution for abolition of the HUAC that was recently adopted by the Methodist Church in New York City.

A financial report on the Council's meeting at the St. Nicholas Arena was tabled until it would be determined the exact number of tickets outstanding. SARAH wanted to know if BELLA ALTSHULER had accounted for the 850 tickets she had taken for the meeting. BELLA stated that she is turning over tickets or money as they come to her.

SYLVIA read from a letter which stated that the Rabbis from a Jewish organization would hold a meeting at the Stephen Wise Synagogue and approve a resolution calling for abolition.

RUSS asked SYLVIA to report on the present plans for the petition for clemency for FRANK WILKINSON and CARL BRADEN. The petition, he stated, would be to President KENNEDY.

SYLVIA reported that she had been asked to head an "ad hoc" committee and coordinate the efforts relative to the petition for clemency.

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SYLVIA stated that the petition was being prepared by ALEXANDER MEIHLEJOHN and AUBREY WILLIAMS. It has not been finally completed, she said. CLARENCE PICKETTE, AUBREY WILLIAMS, BOB KENNY, and JOHN HAYNES HOLMES, she said, will sign a letter which will be sent to prominent people asking them to sponsor the petition for clemency. Her responsibility, she said, would be to secure a list of prominent individuals, about 2,000 in all, in the fields of education, labor and other walks of life, and these individuals would be asked to sign the petition. This is not a mass petition, she said.

RUSS NIXON stated that the mass petitions will be distributed at a later date.

OTTO wanted to do something immediately in order to get FRANK and CARL out of prison. RUSS stated that the petition campaign is out of the Council's hands; they are unable to make any decisions affecting the petition and the petition campaign.

BILL PRICE asked why "MC PHAUL" had not been included along with FRANK and CARL.

Although BILL, LLOYD and CHARLOTTE, persisted in their attempts to get MC PHAUL's name on the petition for clemency, they did not succeed and their disappointment was obvious. BILL asked if the Council could send money to MC PHAUL's family in Detroit because they are financially strapped.

It was agreed to consider the possibility of sending the MC PHAUL family \$150.

RUSS said that FRANK and CARL were close to the NYCAHUAC. FRANK, he said, has especially close to the NYCAHUAC, since FRANK, RUSS stated, initiated steps to form the Council and therefore the Council must go all out in its efforts to free FRANK and CARL. He said that he didn't feel that FRANK and CARL would be let out of prison one day earlier despite efforts on the part of the Council and others. RUSS also stated that Rev. MARTIN LUTHER KING and helped in preparing the clemency petition.

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JOHN RANDOLPH earlier had asked SANDY how the Youth Committee to Abolish HUAC was organized. SANDY replied that the Youth Committee to Abolish HUAC had no officers. They just called a meeting and discussed what steps they should take. OTTO remarked that SANDY was the boss of the Youth Committee to Abolish HUAC.

SANDY called for the Council to call a Regional meeting in order to discuss future steps in the abolition campaign. SYLVIA stated that BOB IMBRIE had many connections in the Eastern Seaboard and that is why she felt that BOB would be an asset in the post of executive-secretary.

SANDY reported that she along with some others had met with the subpoenaed members of the Fund for Social Analysis during the past week. She announced that a meeting would be held at the home of Mrs. HOROWITZ, Apt. 12D, 50 Riverside Drive, at 77th Street, New York City, to outline plans for the those members of the Fund for Social Analysis, called by the HUAC.

It was decided to hold a Council meeting in the very near future.

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Birth data: 1/29/02

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Sex: Female

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or nationalistic tendency: CP

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Report of a regular meeting of the New York Council to Abolish the House Un-American Activities Committee (NYCAHUAC) on Monday, 6/12/61, at Adelphi Hall, Rm. 11-H, 74 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

The following were most of the 25 persons present:

1. RUSS NIXON - chaired the meeting
2. BELLA ALTSHULER
3. SANDRA (SANDY) ROSENBLOOM
4. ROSEMARY DAVOLI
5. ABE UNGER
6. SARAH WELLER
7. BERNIE WELLER
8. BERTHA ROMANOFF
9. JOANNE GRANT
10. DEBORAH WILSON - works full-time in NYCAHAUC office
11. CHARLES FITZGERALD
12. HERBERT ROSENBLOOM (SANDY's husband)
13. LEONA ABRAMS
14. CONNIE (sounds like) COHEN - male
15. CHARLOTTE POMERANTZ
16. BILL PRICE
17. Rev. LEE BALL
18. PETER HALL LEE (sounds like) late 40's or early 50's
19. RUTH FRANCE
20. MARTHA KAHN
21. Rev. HOWARD MELISH

RUSS reported that OTTO NATHAN was presently in Europe. He did not state the nature of his trip.

RUSS further reported on RUSS's recent appearance before the HUAC. He felt, he stated, that the climate had changed favorably. This was a result, he said, of the HUAC's feeling of the effect of the abolition campaign. The witnesses were not cooperative but were treated in somewhat of a friendly manner. It was apparent, he said, that the HUAC was on a "fishing

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expedition"; they had no informers for the hearing therefore the hearing was a failure. RUSS told the group that his feeling was that the abolition campaign, to date, has been highly successful relative to the effect that it has had on the HUAC namely the HUAC has held only one hearing in 10 months and this hearing was a flop for the HUAC. However, he stated, the HUAC in that same period of time has spent \$250,000.

CONNIE COHEN, who also stated that he was present at the same hearing as RUSS, said that he had prepared students in the Washington, D. C. area for demonstrations at the hearing but since the HUAC had cancelled the originally scheduled hearings he couldn't keep the students in the capital because the colleges had closed for the summer vacation.

RUSS reported that a "national" petition for Executive Clemency for FRANK WILKINSON and CARL BRADEN has been, and will continue to be, sent to 1,000 prominent people. Reverend MARTIN LUTHER KING, ABERNATHY, SHUTTLESWORTH were some of those, he said, who have already signed these individual "national" petition.

SANDY reported that the NYCAHUAC had mailed 1,000 copies out 5,000 copies. (Space is provided on these copies for at least 10 signatures). These petitions she said, are returnable to the NYCAHUAC. It was agreed to drop the "return" date of 7/1/61. This date, SANDY stated, was set by OTTO NATHAN who also, she said, ordered the petitions drawn up for the NYCAHUAC.

RUSS reported that organizations in the various parts of the country are getting their own petitions started. They will, he said, be collected.

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The NYCAHUAC, he said, would have access to the list of prominent names and the other names for mailing and fund-raising purposes at least. Also, he said, that the names on the individual "national" petition along with the petition would probably appear in a prominent newspaper in the form of an ad.

It was also decided to continue the petitions campaign for as long as is necessary or useful.

It was suggested that a petition form which could be cut out and sent to the President would be appearing in the National Guardian.

A committee, was proposed by RUSS to contact organizations for speakers on the abolition campaign and for the purpose as announced by RUSS to keep FRANK WILKINSON's and CARL BRADEN's names in the public eye. BELLA and MARTHA were two of those who volunteered to work on this committee. RUSS, PETER and ABE will also draft an outline for speakers to follow when they appear before groups. RUSS stressed the importance of an education program.

ABE UNGER proposed the creation of sub-councils in the city's boroughs whose function would be to coordinate and direct abolition efforts in the various boroughs with especial emphasis on possibly friendly Congressmen. The sub-council will coordinate educational programs at the borough level, educational programs such as speakers before groups, distribution of important literature, and contact with friendly groups, church, trade unions, etc. The sub-councils, ABE stated, would work closely with the NYCAHUAC.

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RUSS stated that he and ABE had previously discussed this point and RUSS liked the idea. It was unanimously agreed to for sub-councils. BELLA, ROSEMARY, and PETER volunteered to head the sub-council of the Bronx.

RUSS reported that the idea of a newsletter had been discussed at an executive meeting. The newsletter would contain pertinent information re the abolition struggle.

SANDY stated that the "Youth" desired to have their own newsletter. Their letter, she stated, would be sent to the college campuses. It was unanimously agreed that the "Youth" have their own newsletter.

The NYCAHUAC will also have a newsletter. JOANNE, BILL, Rev. LEE BALL, RUTH FRANCE, and the officers of the NYCAHUAC would comprise the newsletter board. It was felt that the newsletter would be a monthly affair.

There was some discussion about the renewed activity of the Eastland Committee. BILL, CHARLOTTE, and Rev. LEE BALL felt that the NYCAHUAC should take some position supporting the Fair Play for Cuba group and the Freedom Riders.

CHARLEY stated that he felt that support could come in the first editorial of the newsletter by tying in all the struggles and the apparent reasons for the Congressional attack upon them.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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Report of a regular meeting of the New York Council to Abolish the House Un-American Activities Committee (NYCAHUAC) on Tuesday evening, 7/25/61, room 11H, Adelphi Hall, 74 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York.

There were approximately 15 persons present. The following were among those present:

1. RUSS NIXON
2. OTTO NATHAN
3. ROSEMARY DAVOLI
4. SANDRA ROSENBLUM (SANDY)
5. CHARLES FITZGERALD
6. MARTHA KAHN
7. JOANNE GRANT
8. BILL PRICE
9. CHARLOTTE POMERANTZ
10. BERNIE WELLER
11. SARAH WELLER
12. HERBERT ROSENBLUM (SANDY's husband)

The only matter discussed and it was discussed with much heat and opposing opinions, opinions that could lead to a possible withdrawal of OTTO NATHAN, was the resignation of RUSS NIXON as a co-chairman of the NYCAHUAC.

RUSS stated that his decision to resign was the result of several discussions that DICK CRILEY, DOROTHY MARSHALL, and ANN BRADEN recently held with AUBREY WILLIAMS.

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According to RUSS, SYLVIA CRANE said many unfounded statements to AUBREY WILLIAMS about him during the last six months and, as a result of these statements, AUBREY implied to DICK, DOROTHY, and ANN that AUBREY would continue in the national abolition set up only if RUSS resigned.

RUSS stated that he resigned because he desired to keep AUBREY in the national abolition picture. In this regard, he said, he was supported by DICK, ANN and DOROTHY. RUSS told the group present that he intends to work in the same capacity but without the official title.

BILL PRICE, OTTO, CHARLOTTE and CHARLES were opposed to RUSS's resignation. BILL referred to the request for RUSS's resignation as a purge. RUSS denied that it was a purge.

JOANNE, SANDY, ROSEMARY, and the WELLERS supported RUSS's reasons for resigning.

After much heated and pointed discussion, RUSS restated his position and announced that his resignation should be viewed by those in the New York Council as a temporary and tactical move until FRANK WILKINSON comes out of prison. FRANK, RUSS said, would have been able to save convinced AUBREY that RUSS should remain as a co-chairman in the NYCAHUAC.

RUSS reviewed for the group the background in the forming of a national committee to abolish HUAC. During the 1960 Democratic convention in Los Angeles, California, and after discussing the formation of a national committee with FRANK WILKINSON, he along with FRANK WILKINSON, BOB KENNY, AUBREY WILLIAMS, DOROTHY MARSHALL and two lawyers from the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) met and formed the (NCAHUAC). At that meeting, he said, they outlined a program of action and also decided on FRANK WILKINSON's role.

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DOROTHY MARSHALL, DICK CRILEY, and ANN BRADEN, RUSS said, are the regional directors of the abolition campaign in their respective areas.

RUSS also reported that there would soon be a Washington, D.C. office handling the lobbying for the abolition campaign. He said that he is involved in the arrangements for the office.

During the discussions surrounding RUSS' resignation BILL PRICE stated that there were some individuals involved in the abolition campaign and who may well be responsible for the request for RUSS's resignation because of a sum of \$3,000 remaining from a LOUIS SCHWEITZER grant. BILL also stated that the original sum of the grant was \$5,000. BILL said that some national abolition figures were interested in securing the \$3,000 for their own purposes.

Since OTTO NATHAN stated, RUSS is determined to stand by his resignation then both he and LEE BALL will also resign their official positions in the (NYCAHUAC).

Those present pleaded with OTTO to remain but he remained adamant.

RUSS said that he had asked DICK CRILEY, who, he said, was scheduled to speak at a Methodist meeting in Dayton, Ohio, to speak to LEE BALL who would be at the same meeting and ask LEE BALL to reconsider his intention to resign.

BILL PRICE suggested that the NYCAHUAC's members meet again on Wednesday, 7/26/61 and continue their talks on these points. RUSS stated that he was leaving on Thursday, 7/27/61, for a five-week stay in Japan.

The meeting adjourned without further discussion or decision.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-140528-E)

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A meeting of the Peekskill-Yorktown Committee For A Sane Nuclear Policy was held at the Unitarian Meeting House, located on Strawberry Road and Foothill Street, Lake Mohegan, New York. Approximately 100 people were present.

Meeting was chaired by LEE NOVICK. Among the people present were:

SANFORD GOTTLIEB
PAUL GREENBERG
ESTHER OSTROW
EVA ANTIN
CHESTER RICK
DOROTHY RICK
MR. SELIKSON

JACK NOVICK
HERMAN and PAULINE BRODY
MARTHA KAHN
AL WARREN
ANNE WARREN
HERMAN GODES

PAUL GREENBERG mentioned that SANFORD GOTTLIEB is Sane's Washington representative and very little went on in Washington that he did not know about.

SANFORD GOTTLIEB mentioned that there were less than 100 people in the entire administration that were tied in with the nuclear testing ban and disarmament and these people were spread over nine committees, including secretaries.

SANFORD GOTTLIEB spoke of Sane delegation to be in Washington on July 24, 1961, at which time it is planned that Sane representatives will meet with some Congressman and make certain proposals toward the talks on ban on nuclear testing and disarmament; said that Mc Cloy was presently talking with ZORIN on an informal basis regarding disarmament. SANFORD GOTTLIEB said that he was almost certain that one of the proposals will be to suggest that a neutral zone be made of West Germany, East Germany, Czechoslovakia and Poland. SANFORD GOTTLIEB said that Russia at the present time is very much afraid of West Germany and thought the proposal would help to relieve tensions.

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SANFORD GOTTLIEB referred to Americans as being immature and irrational; compared Americans with Red Chinese and believed that the split Russia and Red China publicized was a legitimate one stemming from the 81 Party statement in which Russia indicated the need to co-exist with capitalist societies; said the Red Chinese believe the capitalist societies must be eliminated through war.

SANFORD GOTTLIEB mentioned several times that the Russians were responsible for the lack of progress on ban of nuclear testing and disarmament and then said that the reasons the Russians did not progress further was because of the Congo crisis, in which they had to leave the Congo and the imperialist, the Belgians, were permitted to stay.

SANFORD GOTTLIEB said the Russians could not permit this to happen again and that the position taken by Russia now is that of national liberation - underdeveloped countries with the issue of disarmament.

Youth groups circulating petitions by the New York Council To Abolish The House Un-American Activities Committee and also selling books titled, "The Un-Americans" by Frank J. Donner. The petitions were an appeal for clemency for CARL BRADEN and FRANK WILKINSON.